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WHITE UNTO HARVEST

A HISTORY OF

Putnam Memorial Baptist Church

Shelby, North Carolina

"... Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

John 4:35 b

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PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
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PREFACE

Gathering information about Putnam Memorial Church for the Kings Mountain Baptist Association to use in its history created a ense of need and a desire for this church history. Information has ieen gathered from church records, deacon's minutes, W.M.U. records, hurch members and former pastors providing biographical informa- ion concerning themselves.

The list of records found in this history are based upon infor- nation gathered from the associational minutes of the Kings Moun- ain Baptist Association.

There is a good possibility that mistakes and errors do occur nd that you will recognize them. Please remember that a great eal of the history is oral tradition. We ask your forgiveness and eg your indulgence for these mistakes and errors trusting that ie majority of the material might be correct.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to the many people ho have assisted in making this history possible. We are deeply ldebted to the church clerks, treasurers and building fund trea- irers who have kept the records these twenty-three years.

We desire especially to thank Mr. and Mrs. Howard Strickland id Mrs. Lawrence Roberts who have provided needed information iat has been of tremendous importance to the writing of this istory.

Also, we wish to thank all the officers of the church who have rovided information for us. Special thanks go to all the young dies who helped so faithfully with the typing.

We would like to dedicate this history to all members and iends of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, who have labored ng and well through these years, as they gave of their time, ieir talents and their tithe to the Lord Jesus Christ through this, is Church.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:
Mrs. Gus McIntyre
Chairman

Mrs. J. R. Webber
Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

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THE TENT
JUNE 1949 - NOVEMBER 1949

Putnam Memorial Baptist Church was organized in this tent. In one way or another, each person in this picture played an important part in its organization. Seated from left to right: Mrs. Pearl B. Cline, Phyllis Hamrick, Mrs. Fennel Patterson, Tommy Heffner, Mrs. J. R. Webber Mrs. Jake Street, Rusty Brown, Mrs. Delphia McMurry, Mrs. V. B. Crawford, (boy unknown), Leonard McSwain, Irene Hawkins, Mrs. Lawrence Weathers, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Rosalind Biggerstaff, Mrs. Callie Heafner, Mrs. Leola B. Cline, (girl unknown).

Second row: Pink Shytles, Miss Mary Catherine Jones, Miss Carolyn McSwain, Miss Faye Patterson, Miss Helen Swink, Miss Geraldine Page, Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Donald Hamrick, Jimmy Webber, (Boy) Swink, (girl unknown), Betty Swink, (girl unknown).

Third row: Rev. Lewis Ludlum, (man unknown), Robert Brown, Garland Clary, J. R. Webber, Jake Street, Roscoe Patterson, Fennel Patterson, Milton Hawkins, Claude Jones, Sr. and Claude Jones, Jr.

CHAPTER 1
A TENT BEGINNING

In the 1930's, just about twelve farm houses made up a community around the crossing of the County Home Road and Highway 226 South. This community began to grow and by 1948, it had developed into a nice size community with many families living in it. There were also two service stations, grocery stores and a furniture store located here.

The members of these families went to various churches in and around Shelby and Cleveland County. Some were Baptist, some Methodist and some were Presbyterian.

In the spring of 1948, the Kings Mountain Baptist Association began to notice the growth of the community and realized this to be a good potential for a church. So the Associational Mission Planning Committee of the Kings Mountain Association, under the leadership of associational missionary, Rev. Lewis E. Ludlum, conducted a census of the community. The census was so favorable that the committee planned to hold a tent revival in the community.

On June 1, 1940, Mr. J. R. Webber and Mr. Roscoe Patterson were busy at their work in Webber's Service Station and Grocery Store on the corner of the County Home Road and Highway 226 South crossroads. Looking out the plate glass window in the store, they saw a group of men putting up a large tent in a grove of trees on the Roland Gantt property, sometimes referred to in those days as the Hackett Blanton place.

When the men finished putting up the tent, they were hot and thirsty. So they walked across the road to the store to get something cold to drink.

One of the men was Kings Mountain Baptist Associational Missionary, Rev. Lewis Ludlum. Eagerly, he began to tell the men in Webber's Store of the Association's plans to hold a tent revival, hoping to create enough interest to eventually organize a Baptist church in the community.

A two-week tent revival meeting began on Sunday, June 5, 1949. The Reverend T. W. Fogleman delivered the messages each night, and Rev. Harlan Harris led the music. Attendance was good, and there were several professions of faith.

The associational workers tried especially hard to interest the people in organizing a Baptist church. Although the people were blessed by the revival services, no one showed any particular interest in organizing a church. They had their own churches outside the community and just had not thought about starting one in this community.

The last revival service came to a close, and most of the people had already gone home. The music director, Rev. Harlan Harris, was in his car preparing to leave.

Several of the men were still standing around outside the tent talking. Mr. J.R. Webber, a Baptist, said to Mr. Claude Jones, Sr., a Presbyterian, "Could we hold a Vacation Bible School for the children and maybe try Sunday School for a month?" "I believe we can," was Mr. Jones' reply. Mr. Bob Brown, Mr. Leonard McSwain and Mr. Howard Strickland each thought it was a good idea. Rev. Lewis Ludlum, of course, was very pleased about this conversation, and he quickly called Rev. Harris back to tell him the men were interested in holding a Vacation Bible School and beginning Sunday School on a trial basis.

The Holy Spirit of God was at work among these men and, as they continued to talk, their interest grew. They really wanted to do something about starting a church in their community. In just a few minutes, they had pledged $55.00 among themselves to buy th piano that had been used in the tent meeting. (The piano is now being used in the Young People's Assembly Room in the Putnam Memorial Church).

On June 22, 1949, a meeting was held by Rev. Lewis Ludlum and Rev. T.W. Fogleman to organize a Vacation Bible School.

Vacation Bible School followed with an enrollment of 60 and and average attendance of 50. Miss Essie Mathesy and Rev. Lewis Ludlum were in charge. Mrs. Howard Strickland was the only woman in the community who could work in the Vacation Bible School. Mrs. J.R. Webber made lemonade everyday and carried it to the tent for the children's refreshments along with Mrs. Milton Hawkins.

Then, on July 7, a committee composed of Rev. Lewis Ludlum, Rev. T.W. Fogleman, Mr. Leonard McSwain, Mr. Claude Jones, Sr., Mrs. Pearl B. Cline, Mrs. Leola B. Cline, Mrs. V.B. Crawford and Mrs. J.R. Webber met to discuss having a Sunday School.

On July 10, 1949, a Sunday School was organized with the 33 people present becoming members.

Also, on July 10, 1949, the piano was purchased for the $55.00 that had previously been pledged by the group of men outside the tent on the last night of revival.

Thereafter, on Sunday afternoons, this group of dedicated people met in the tent to study God's Word in Sunday School. They still went back to their home churches for worship services on Sunday mornings.

In the following weeks, committees were elected as follows:

On July 12, a nominating committee composed of J.R. Webber, Leonard McSwain, Claude Jones, Sr., Howard Strickland and Milton Hawkins was appointed to elect the Sunday School officers and teachers.

On July 31, 1949, a committee composed of Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Claude Jones, Sr., Leonard McSwain and Mrs. Leola B. Cline was appointed to see about a plot of land (a Lot) for a church building.

Then, on August 28, 1949, two building committees were appointed: (1) Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. and Rev. Lawrence Roberts to get lumber for a building and (2) Rev. T.W. Fogleman and J.R. Webber to see about the construction.

On September 4, 1949, Rev. Lawrence Roberts conducted the first worship service, still in the tent and still in the afternoon.

On September 18, a meeting was held to decide on a lot to build a church. The Roland Gantt property was voted on at a cost of $1200.00.

On September 22, 1949, this group of people came together at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard McSwain to hold their first prayer meeting.

On October 2, a meeting was called and the people voted to organize a church. A Committee composed of Mrs. Howard Strickland, Mrs. J.R. Webber and Mrs. Pearl B. Cline was elected to survey the community for the names of those who would be interested in joining the church.

On October 9, 1949, a meeting was called to organize a church. However, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lane were the only ones present who had their letters with them, and willing as they were two members were not enough to organize a church so the organization was postponed until the following Sunday, October 16.

However, the people were busy on the Sunday night of October 9. Those interested in joining this new church, in the making, went to the churches where they were members and called for their letters. Having their letters in their hands, they were ready for the meeting on October 16.

The church was organized on October 16, 1949, when 14 people had their letters and 5 came by baptism, making a total present of 19. It was decided that for the next 6 months as members joined the church they would be counted as charter members. The church was named Putnam Memorial in memory of Rev. D.F. Putnam, who had been before his death, a missionary pastor with a divine call to start new churches. The five who came by baptism were later baptized at Bethel Church.

On this same day, Mrs.J.R. Webber was elected church clerk. Also, Mrs. J.R. Webber, Mrs. Howard Strickland and Mr. Leonard McSwain were appointed messengers to the association meeting at Beaver Dam Baptist Church. On October 20, Mrs. J.R. Webber stood before the Kings Mountain Associational meeting at the Beaver Dam Baptist Church and requested that Putnam Memorial be accepted as a church in the Kings Mountain Baptist Association. The motion was made, seconded and it carried. Putnam Memorial Church was the last church to be accepted into the association as a church without being a mission for at least one year first. The Kings Mountain Baptist Associational Constitution was revised this way at that very meeting: That a church must be a mission at least a year before it can be admitted into the Association as a church.

Now that Putnam Memorial had become a church, a leader was needed. Having worked closely with these church members since the revival meeting in the tent, Rev. Lewis Ludlum, on Oct. 23, 1949, was called as supply pastor until January of 1950.

These people had a zeal to establish a church in their community; and even the hurricane that passed through in the fall of 1949, and tore down the tent, could not put a daunt in their enthusiasm. They just put the tent back up and continued with their meetings.

On October 30. 1949, Putnam Memorial Church held its first morning service, still meeting in the tent where the revival had been held. Before this, services had been held in the afternoon and many of the members had been going to their home churches for morning services and coming out to the tent meetings in the afternoon.

Putnam Memorial Baptist Church ended the Associational year with $377.84 in the treasury.

On November 3, 1949, the church voted to start a temporary church building and to raise enough money to pay off the lot by December 4.

On Sunday, November 6, 1949, Putnam Memorial voted to let the building committee go ahead with the building.

There was one small obstacle to getting the temporary church building started. On the lot where the church would be built was a cotton patch, white unto harvest, belonging to Mr. Yates Kendricks. So Rev. Lewis Ludlum and 14 more willing workers got together on November 7, 1949, on Monday afternoon, and picked the cotton. They were paid for picking the cotton, and they put this cotton money on the lot fund. The building program began that very week.

On November 20, a petition was made to the General Board of the Kings Mountain Association to approve Putnam Memorial's application to the Baptist State Convention for assistance the next year on pastoral support in the amount of $40.00 per month.

Also, a pulpit committee was elected on November 20, consisting of Mr. Howard Strickland, Mr.J.R. Webber (replaced by Mrs. J. R. Webber) and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

On that same day, Mrs. J.R. Webber, Mr. Howard Strickland and Mr. Leonard McSwain were elected trustees for the lot.

On November 28, 1949, a motion was made by Mr. Leonard McSwain to adopt a church budget, and it was seconded by Miss Mary Catherine Jones.

Also, on November 28, 1949, the church voted to call Rev. Lawrence Roberts as part-time pastor. He preached at Putnam Memorial on Sunday morning and at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church the next Sunday, thus serving both churches as pastor.

Along with Rev. Ludlum, Rev. Roberts had also been closely connected with the members of Putnam Memorial Church since the tent revival meeting in June of 1949.

FIRST RECORDED BUDGET FOR PUTNAM

BUDGET FOR 1950

	Week	Year
Pastor	$20.00	$1040.00
Fuel and Lights	1.25	65.00
Literature, Rec. & Envelopes	1.50	78.00
Christmas Treat	.50	26.00
Coop. Prog.	1.50	78.00
Assoc. Missions	.50	26.00
Relief & Annunity	1.17	60.80
Sexton	1.00	52.00
Orphanage	1.00	52.00
Miscellaneous	1.00	52.00
Totals	$29.42	$1529.80

Applied for help to General Board for Pastor's salary for $40.00 a month and $480.00 a year.

$1040.00 - Putnam Memorial applied to Pastor's salary
480.00 - Applied by General Board
$1520.00 - Pastor's Salary
4%

$ 60.80 - For relief & annunity

CHAPTER 2

THE CHURCH IN A TEMPORARY BUILDING

It was getting cold. Meeting in the tent was becoming uncomfortable so the building committee got busy and the first church services in the new building were held on December 18, 1949, a week before Christmas.

The church was just one large room with an elevated floor in the south end for the pulpit and the piano, and the rest was a dirt floor covered with sand. A pot bellied stove was used to furnish heat.

This was a happy, dedicated group of members filled with the Spirit of Christmas who met for the first time in their new church to have fellowship with God and one another.

That same day, Putnam Memorial organized a training union, and Mrs. J.R. Webber was elected director. Also, a motion was made to start the pastor's salary at the first of the year, effective as of January 19, 1950.

The church raised enough money to pay Mr. Roland Gantt $1200.00 for the church lot. Mrs. J.R. Webber wrote a check and gave it to Rev. Lawrence Roberts. Rev. Roberts, keeping an appointment with him, met Mr. Roland Gantt at Webber's store and paid him for the lot. Mr. Gantt gave the price of the lot back to the church on Christmas Eve, 1949.

On Christmas Day, December 25, 1949, the Training Union officers were elected. (Think of that! A business meeting on Christmas Day).

On January 15, 1950, the church voted to buy a portable building consisting of four Sunday School rooms with floors to add to the temporary building on the north back side.

Plans were being made to organize the Woman's Missionary Union in Putnam Memorial Church. The first step seemed to be to secure the literature. So on January 29, 1950, the church in conference voted to buy literature for the Woman's Missionary Union. Sometime later, it was ordered.

Also, on January 29, 1950, Putnam Memorial Church voted to hold its first revival the following March.

THE TEMPORARY CHURCH BUILDING

Seated from left to right: Mrs. Howard Strickland, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Colon Hamrick, Mrs. jake Street, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Phyllis Hamrick, Joyce Strickland, Mrs. S. T. Putnam, Nancy Strickland, Mrs. Chess Royster, Mike Passmore, Mrs. V. B. Crawford, Mrs. Max DeVine holding Vallery DeVine.
Seated on ground: Dorothy and Vicki DeVine, Mabel DeVine, Miss Mary Catherine Jones, Mrs. John Royster, Miss Helen Swink, Miss Faye Patterson, Tommy Heffner, Mrs. Callie Heffner.
Second row: Rev. Lawrence Roberts, pastor, Donald Hamrick, Leonard McSwain, S. T. Putnam, B. V. McIntyre, Jake Street, Edgar Passmore, Margery Strickland, Betty Swink, Muriel DeVine, (girl unknown), Mrs. L.L.Strickland.
Third row: Claude Jones, Sr., L. L. Strickland, J. R. Webber, Claude Jones, Jr., Colon Hamrick, Howard Strickland, John Royster, Roscoe Patterson, Garland Clary, Eugene Passmore, James Strickland, Janice Webber, Marvin Strickland, Jimmy Webber, Ray Melton, Thomas Strickland.

On that same day, the church voted to pay $200.00 on the portable building consisting of four Sunday School rooms with floors to add to the temporary building. The church had already voted to buy this building on January 15. The balance of the cost ($1000) would be borrowed from the Kings Mountain Association.

The practice of the Kings Mountain Association was to go into a potential church field, set up a tent and hold a revival to help start a church. When the church was organized, the Association would then loan the church $1000.00 to go on a temporary or portable building. When the church could build a permanent building, she would then reimburse the Association for the $1000.00 loan. Putnam Memorial needed the $1000.00 loan and decided to accept the Association's help.

On March 19, 1950, Putnam Memorial's first revival began. Pastor Lawrence Roberts brought the messages. There was a true reviving among the members, and there was an addition of 20 new members to the church roll.

A fall revival was held September 10, 1950. Rev. E.F. Baker delivered the messages. Four new members were received into the fellowship of the church through baptism. The services closed Sunday, September 17, 1950. These four members, Gene Passmore, Robert Deaton, Roy Melton and Ruby Jenkins, were baptized in Joe Beam's Lake by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Roberts.

On September 24, 1950, new officers for October, 1950-September, 1951 were elected and a new budget was adopted.

The W.M.U. literature, bought by the church, finally came. So in October, 1950 the W.M.U. was organized in the home of Mrs. J.R. Webber. Mrs. Leola B. Cline and Mrs. Pearl B. Cline, members at Elizabeth Baptist Church, helped with organizing the Putnam Memorial W.M.U. At this meeting, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. was elected the first W.M.U. President.

When the Woman's Missionary Union was organized in October, 1950 at Mrs. J.R. Webber's home, the following women were present:

Mrs. Leola B. Cline	Mrs. Howard Strickland
Mrs. Pearl B. Cline	Mrs. Jack Lane
Mrs. J.R. Webber	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. - elected President
Mrs. Colon Hamrick	Miss Mary Catherine Jones - elected Secretary
Mrs. Edgar Passmore	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts
Mrs. V.B. Crawford	Mrs. Fennel Patterson

Mrs. Leola B. Cline instructed the new officers in their duties and showed them how to carry out the programs. A hostess list was made out at this meeting and dues to the cooperative program were set at 25 cents per member. At that time, W.M.U. members were encouraged to give to the cooperative program through the W.M.U. in addition to giving to it through the church.

Putnam Memorial Church's first four deacons, Mr. Howard Strickland, Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr., Mr. Leonard McSwain and Mr. S.T. Putnam, were ordained on November 22, 1950. Those taking part in the service were Rev. Boyd Cannon and Deacon Dewey Jones from Elizabeth Church, Rev. Hugh Harrell from Sandy Plains Church, Rev. D.W. Digh and Deacon Allen from Bethel Church and Rev. Lawrence Roberts. (Three deacons had been appointed on November 20, 1949, however, these three had never been ordained.)

It was not until December 31, 1950, that Putnam Memorial Church held its first deacon's meeting. At that time, Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr. was elected the first Chairman of the Board of Deacons, and Mr. Howard Strickland was elected secretary. Those present were (according to the deacon's minutes) Pastor Lawrence Roberts, Claude A. Jones, Sr., S.T. Putnam, Leonard McSwain and Howard Strickland.

On January 28, 1951, the church voted to buy a communion set with money amounting to $48.00 that had been donated by Mrs. J.C. Bowling ($8.00), Mrs. Mildred Smart ($5.00), Paul Webb ($2.50), Max Francis ($8.00), Mrs. Lawrence Weathers ($.50) and Worth J. Branton ($24.00).

In February of 1951, the Training Union held a Sweetheart Banquet in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Howard Strickland.

Mr. Wells Lowrey, a member at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church spoke to the young people in the church; then, everyone walked next door to Mr. & Mrs. Howard Strickland's home for the banquet. A delicious meal of fried chicken, green beans, potato salad, rolls, tea and individual cherry pies was enjoyed by everyone.

This was the first banquet held in Putnam Memorial Church. Many have been held since that time.

On March 25, 1951, a week's revival began. Rev. Lawrence Roberts delivered the sermons. The church received nine new members into its fellowship: Mr. & Mrs. B.V. McIntyre, Gus McIntyre, Mr. & Mrs. Hoyt Hamrick, Mr. & Mrs. Alton Strickland, Michael Passmore and Mrs. Fred Lynn.

Putnam Memorial Church did not have a baptistry at this time so on May 2, 1951, Gus McIntyre, Mike Passmore and Mrs. B.V. McIntyre were baptized at Calvary Baptist Church in Shelby.

Vacation Bible School began June 11, 1951. There was an enrollment of 52 and an average attendance of 45.

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE NORTH END OF THE EDUCATIONAL BUILDING
August 25, 1951

The temporary building with the portable Sunday School rooms added to the north back side are shown in the back. **Seated** from left to right: Jack Lane, Howard Strickland, Rev. W. T. Furr, Clifford Hughes, Roland Gantt and Claude Jones, Sr. Second row: Rev. Boyd Cannon, Rev. T. W. Bray, Rev. Lawrence Roberts, pastor, J. R. Webber, Colon Hamrick, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mrs. J. R. Webber and S. T. Putnam. In far background: Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and Mrs. Edgar Passmore.

CHAPTER 3
NORTH END OF CHURCH BUILDING

Putnam Memorial Church was growing and a permanent church uilding was needed.

On June 10, 1951, the church voted to have a well dug before tarting a new church building.

Then, on August 25, 1951, Putnam Memorial Church held a round breaking for the new church building (now the North end of he Educational Building). Visitors to the service were Rev. Cannon, Rev. Furr and Rev. Bray.

On September 30, 1951, the church adopted a new budget for 951 - 1952. New officers were also elected:

Sunday School Supt.	-	Howard Strickland
Sunday School Sec.	-	Mrs. Colon Hamrick
Choir Leader	-	Edgar Passmore
Treas. & Clerk	-	Mrs. J.R. Webber
T.U. Director	-	Hoyt Hamrick
Pianist	-	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

On October 7, 1951, a building committee was elected for the year 951-1952. The committee was composed of Colon Hamrick - chair- an, J.R. Webber, Claude Jones, Sr. and Howard Strickland.

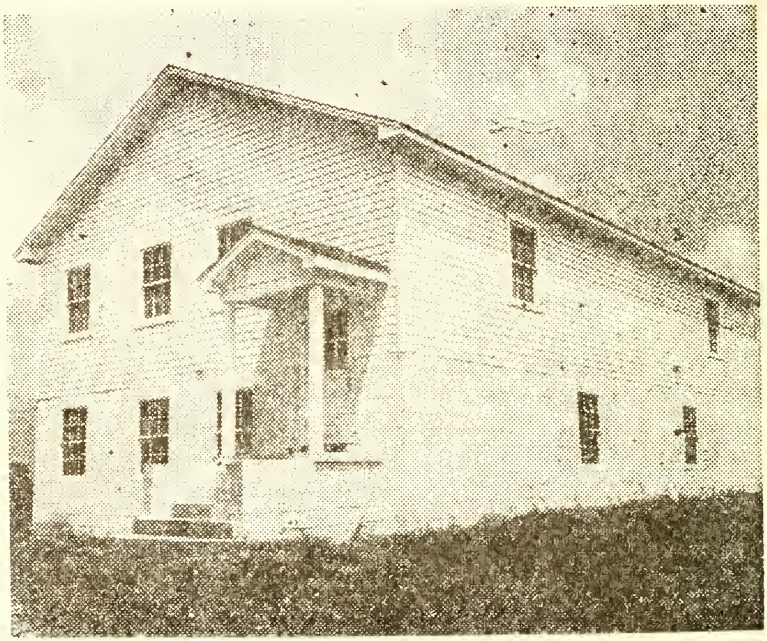
Also, on October 7, Mrs. Lawrence Roberts was elected W.M.U. resident.

On November 17, 1951, three new deacons were ordained: J.R. /ebber, Colon Hamrick and B.V. McIntyre. Rev. Harlan Harris de- vered the message, followed by the traditional "laying on of hands" /hich symbolically establishes an ordained person to his new office.

It was in 1950, that our country became involved in the Korean onflict. On January 22, 1952, Brother Roscoe Patterson left for ser- ce in the United States Army. Roscoe was the first young man to ave for the army from Putnam Memorial Church. On Sunday, be- ore he left, the church presented Roscoe with a small brown zip- ered New Testament.

On March 16, 1952, our beloved brother in Christ and deacon of utnam Memorial Church, Mr. S.T. Putnam, passed away.

NORTH END OF EDUCATIONAL BUILDING



PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

1952 - 1957

On March 23, 1952, the church elected two new trustees, Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. and Mr. Colon Hamrick. One of these was to replace Mr. Leonard McSwain who had moved his letter to another church. The other was to make four trustees. Along with Mr. Jones, Sr. and Mr. Hamrick, the other two trustees were Mr. J.R. Webber and Mr. Howard Strickland.

Also, on March 23, 1952, the church voted to secure a loan to finance the completion of the new church building, and the building got underway. The men of the church went down to Mr. Leonard McSwain's and made the cement blocks on his block molds in their spare time. Even the junior boys joined in and made blocks.

Everyone gave as generously as they could and donated as much of their time as they could so that in three months, on June 29, 1952, the first service was held in the new church building (now North end of the Educational Building). There were 100 members present, and the offering was $150.00.

Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. made the baptistry and donated it to the church. Mr. Grady Humphries drew a beautiful baptismal scene of a river with lovely trees along the banks and donated it to the church.

During the first service in the new church, the first baptismal service was also held. The candidates were Joyce and Nancy Strickland who were baptized by the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Roberts.

On Sunday, July 13, 1952, a loan was granted the trustees for $3500.00 on the new building. Payments were to be $52.00 monthly to be paid up in 6 years or less.

Also, on this same Sunday, the church voted to buy a new piano. This piano had already been placed in the church on approval so that the members could hear it being played.

The church also voted on July 13, to hold open house as soon as the building was completely finished on the inside as well as the outside.

Open house for the church was held August 25, 1952. Cookies and punch were served to 83 visitors from other churches who made a tour of the new building in addition to Putnam Memorial members who proudly toured their new church building.

The cost of the new building was approximately $14,000.00. Cash paid out was $9,500.00. The estimated amount of free labor and materials donated were $4,500.00.

The first revival began in the new church August 25, 1952. Rev. T.W. Bray delivered the messages. He began the revival services by having the members line up on each side of the church, join hands forming a complete circle and sing "Bless Be The Tie That Binds." Then, Rev. Bray led in prayer. One member who was there that night, Mrs. J.R. Webber said, "you could just feel the presence of the Holy Spirit as you stood there with your head bowed holding hands. So close to God and so close to each other." During this revival, there were 8 additions to the church; five of these came by letter and three by baptism. The last revival service was held August 31.

On September 7, 1952, the church voted to sell the portable Sunday School rooms from the temporary church building to one of the members, Mr. Z.V. Cline, Jr., for $150.00. Mr. Cline used the building for a tenent house. The church also voted to sell the temporary church building to Mr. Harvey Spears for $500.00. This was a combined total of $650.00 which was paid on the new building.

On January 4, 1953, Mr. Z.V. Cline, Jr. was ordained as a deacon. Those officating were Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Rev. Bray and the deacons of the church.

On February 2, 1953, the debt on the piano was paid off.

A revival meeting began at Putnam Memorial Church April 12, 1953. Rev. W.D. Robertson from Patterson Springs Baptist Church delivered the messages. (Rev. & Mrs. Robertson are now serving as missionaries in Vietnam). There were many rededications and three new additions to the church; one by letter, Mr. Joe Bolin, and two by baptism, Mr. Wilbert Brown and Miss Shirley Glover. They were baptized on April 19, 1953.

Rev. Lawrence Roberts accepted the call as full-time pastor of Putnam Memorial Church in April of 1953.

On September 13, 1953, the church elected the new officers and teachers for the Sunday School year beginning October, 1953-September, 1954. On September 27, the messengers to the Association were appointed and on October 4, a new church budget was adopted.

On November 2, 1953, the church elected three new deacons. They were Mr. Garland Clary, Mr. Gus H. McIntyre and Mr. H.K. Roberts. These three new deacons were ordained the next Sunday, November 9, 1953, at the evening worship service. Those officiating were Associational Missionary, Rev. T.W. Bray, delivering the message, Rev. Roberts and the deacons of the church.

At the September 1954, General W.M.S. meeting, the new W.M.U. officers were elected. Mrs. Fred Lynn was the W.M.U. President. The W.M.U. had a Sunbeam Band and a Royal Ambassador organization at that time, but no Girl's Auxiliary had been organized. A Girl's Auxiliary counselor had been elected in September of 1953 but for one reason or another, G.A.'s had never been organized. So the W.M.U. elected a new G.A. Counselor, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, at this meeting.

Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, the pastor's wife, contacted Mrs. Lansford Jolley, Kings Mountain Associational W.M.U. Young People's Leader, to help organize a Girl's Auxiliary in Putnam Memorial Church.

During the second week in October, Mrs. Lansford Jolley, Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and the newly-elected G.A. Counselor, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, met at the church with five girls who were of G.A. age (9-15). These girls were as follows.:

1. Rosalind Biggerstaff
2. Betty Jane Cline
3. Phyllis Hamrick
4. Irene Hawkins
5. Jane Ann Putnam

Junior Girl's Auxiliary was then organized in Putnam Memorial Church, meeting every two weeks on Friday. The next meeting was held Friday, October 29, 1954, at 3:00 p.m. at the church.

Mrs. Lawrence Roberts would borrow the October and November "Tell" magazine from Mrs. Billy P. Pitman, after she got through with them, so that Putnam Memorial's G.A.'s could have their meetings until Mrs. McIntyre received their first magazine in December, 1954.

The title of the first program was very appropriate, "We've a Story to Tell", since this was also the title of the G.A. Hymn. The G.A. Counselor, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, presented a brief devotional centered around the thought,"The most beautiful story ever told is that of Jesus' coming to earth to save lost people."

Then, Dorothy Devine gave the part, "How G.A.'s Tell the Story." Rosalind Biggerstaff gave the part,"A Song That Conquers." Phyllis Hamrick gave the part,"A Message to Give." Betty Jane Cline gave the part, "A Saviour for the World." Vicki Devine gave the closing part "What Can You Do?"

The Junior Girls Auxiliary of Putnam Memorial Church now had seven members and was a full-fledged organization.

On Sunday, November 7, 1954, the church adopted the same budget as for the year October, 1953-September,1954 for $90.00 per week with one addition of $3.00 a week for a caretaker.

This same Sunday, the church voted to stop having the business meetings on Sunday mornings and start having them on Wednesday night following the second Sunday of each month.

On January 16, 1955, the church elected 3 new deacons, Mr. Claude Jones, Jr., Mr. C.B. Clary and Mr. Edgar E. Passmore. They were ordained on February 6, 1955, with Rev. Lawrence Roberts bringing the message followed by the traditional "laying on of hands" by the deacons of the church and associational missionary, Rev. T.W. Bray.

Rev. Lawrence Roberts rendered his resignation as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church on February 16, 1955 to begin a new field of work at Peach Street Baptist Church.

On June 8, 1955, the church voted unanimously to call Rev. Joe T. Whitworth to serve as pastor.

On Wednesday, August 31, 1955, the church elected three committees: a Nominating Committee: Gus McIntyre, Chairman, Howard Strickland, Mrs. Colon Hamrick, James Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones Jr., a Building Committee: Colon Hamrick, Chairman, James Webber and Gus McIntyre; and a Finance Committee: Z.V. Cline, Jr., Chairman, Claude Jones, Sr., Edgar Passmore, Mrs. J.R. Webber and Mrs Delmar Anthony.

Howard Clary was ordained as a deacon in the fall of 1955 in Putnam Memorial Church.

In the fall of 1955, the church voted to sponsor a radio program with Pastor Joe Whitworth preaching the messages and the church choir singing. Miss Irene Hawkins played the piano one week and Miss Phyllis Hamrick played it the next week while Mr. Edgar Passmore led the singing. "Walking in Sunlight" was the theme song.

On September 23, 1956, the church in conference elected Colon Hamrick to serve again on the deacon board. By this time, the rotating system was being used where a deacon would serve for three years, be off a year and then be elected by the church to serve three more years.

Also, at this time, Mr. Joe Bolin and Mr. Jack Lane were elected new deacons.

On August 18, 1957, Gus McIntyre, James Webber and Garland Clary were elected to serve on the deacon board again. At this same time, Mr. B.V. McIntyre and Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. were elected honorary deacons for life.

The church also voted on August 18, 1957, to rent a night depositor key, to have the ushers count the church's money on Sunday and put it in the bank on Sunday night.

Also, on August 18, the church voted to buy office equipment, a typewriter and a mimeograph machine from the pastor (Rev. Joe Whitworth) for $135.00.

Mr. Frank Greene was elected church custodian for 1957-1958. He served as custodian of Putnam Memorial Church until his death, October 1, 1968.

Ground breaking ceremony for the south end of the educational building. August 25, 1957
From left to right: Z. V. Cline, Jr., J. R. Webber, Rev. T. W. Bray,
Rev. Joe. T. Whitworth, pastor, Mrs. J. R. Webber and Gus McIntyre.

CHAPTER 4

SOUTH END OF CHURCH BUILDING

Putnam Memorial Church was still growing, and the present building was no longer adequate. A larger auditorium was needed and more Sunday School rooms were needed.

On August 25, 1957, the church held a ground breaking service for a new addition to be added to the south end of the Educational building and to brick the entire building.

In September of 1957, Elizabeth School donated 37 small plates, and the Elizabeth Home Demonstration Club donated 28 large plates and 13 cups to the kitchen that would be in the new Educational Building.

The church voted on December 8, 1957, to buy 250 folding chairs for the new Educational Building.

On January 12, 1958, Putnam Memorial Church elected a committee composed of Mrs. Fred Lynn and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. to be responsible for having flowers in the church every Sunday.

By this time, Putnam Memorial Church was holding services in the new Educational Building (south end of building.)

Having led the church successfully through a building program, Rev. Joe. T. Whitworth felt God was leading him into a new field of work. So, on Sunday, January 19, 1958, he rendered his resignation to be effective February 23, 1958.

A Pulpit Committee was elected on Sunday, February 9, 1958. Those elected to serve on this committee were: Chairman Colon Hamrick, Claude Jones, Jr., Gus McIntyre, Garland Clary and Mrs. Z.V. Pardline, Jr.

Also, Mr. Bill Shytle was elected to serve as supply pastor on this time Sunday, February 9.

Open House was planned for the new Educational Building for Sunday, February 16, 1958. However, a deep snow came, and these plans were never carried through.

On March 9, 1958, the church voted to ordain William P. Shytle for the ministry.

THE EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

North end added in 1952, south end completed in 1958 and entire building bricked.
1958 - 1972

On March 19, 1958, the church voted to pay Mr. Frank Greene, church custodian, $40.00 a month.

On Sunday morning, March 23, 1958, the ordination advisory committee of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, having met on Wednesday, March 19, 1958 to question Brother William P. Shytle, recommended him to the church for a formal ordination service.

On this same Sunday morning, the church voted to present a Bible to all who are ordained for the ministry from our church. Of course, Brother Shytle, being the first ordained minister from the church would receive one.

At 2:00 p.m. on Sunday evening, March 23, 1958, Mr. William P. Shytle was ordained for the Baptist ministry in a very impressive service in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church. The program was as follows:

Devotional: I Timothy: 3 - Rev. T.W. Bray
Hymn - "Breathe on Me"
Prayer - Rev. J. R. Howe
Sermon - "Charge to Candidate and Church"
Rev. E. B. Hicks
Presentation of Bible - Rev. T. W. Bray
Ordination Prayer - Rev. N. S. Hardin
The Laying on of Hands
Hymn - "Wherever He Leads, I'll Go"
Benediction - Rev. Bill Shytle

Deacons from Putnam Memorial Church who were present were Colon Hamrick, Claude Jones, Sr., Claude Jones, Jr., C.B. Clary, Edgar Passmore, Garland Clary, J.R. Webber, B.V. McIntyre, Joe Bolin and Howard Clary.

Rev. Coy Dellinger was present as well as many visiting deacons and friends.

Putnam Memorial Church held a spring revival beginning March 24, 1958. Rev. Coy Dellinger delivered the messages.

Putnam Memorial Church in conference on April 13, 1958 voted to have a telephone installed in the church.

On August 17, 1958, Rev. William (Bill) P. Shytle recommended to the church that we license Brother Eugene Passmore to preach. The church happily voted to do this.

Also, on August 17, the Pulpit Committee recommended Rev. Richard N. Spencer as pastor. The church voted to call Brother Spencer.

On August 31, 1958, Rev. Bill Shytle preached his last sermon as supply pastor of Putnam Memorial Church.

On September 7, 1958, Rev. Richard Spencer preached his first sermon as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church .

On October 5, 1958, the new officers for the coming year were elected.

At this same time, Mr. Claude Jones, Jr. and Mr. Edgar Passmore were elected to serve again on the deacon board, and Mr. Wilson Biggerstaff was elected as a new deacon.

On October 15, 1958, the church chartered a bus and went to the Billy Graham Crusade in Charlotte.

On Sunday night, October 19, 1958, Mr. Wilson Biggerstaff was ordained as a deacon in a very impressive service.

During the week of March 8-15, 1959, cottage prayer meetings were held in the community in preparation for the revival that was held March 16-22. Rev. Hoyle Alexander conducted the services.

On August 30, 1959, the church voted to have a homecoming for our tenth anniversary on October 11, 1959.

On September 6, 1959, the church elected the officers for the coming year, adopted a new budget and elected Z.V. Cline, Jr. and Howard Strickland to serve again on the deacon board and elected Burin Peeler to serve as a new deacon.

On Sunday, October 11, 1959, a homecoming was held celebrating the 10th anniversary of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church.

Rev. Richard Spencer, pastor, gave the history of the church which had been prepared by Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

The message was delivered by Rev. Lawrence Roberts, first pastor of Putnam Memorial Church.

The first deacons of the church were recognized. They were: Mr. Claude Jones, Sr., Mr. Leonard McSwain, and Mr Howard Strickland. (Mr. S.T. Putnam, also one of the first deacons, is deceased).

The charter members who were present were:

1. Mr. Garland Clary
2. Mr. Colon Hamrick
3. Mr. Claude Jones, Sr.
4. Mr. Claude Jones, Jr.
5. Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
6. Mr. Jack Lane
7. Mrs. Jack Lane
8. Mrs. Fennel Patterson
9. Mrs. Faye (Patterson) Hudson
10. Mr. Howard Strickland
11. Mrs. Howard Strickland
12. Marvin Strickland
13. Mr. J.R. Webber
14. Mrs. J.R. Webber
15. Jimmy Webber

Special music was rendered by Mrs. Helen Clary and Miss Mary Catherine Jones accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

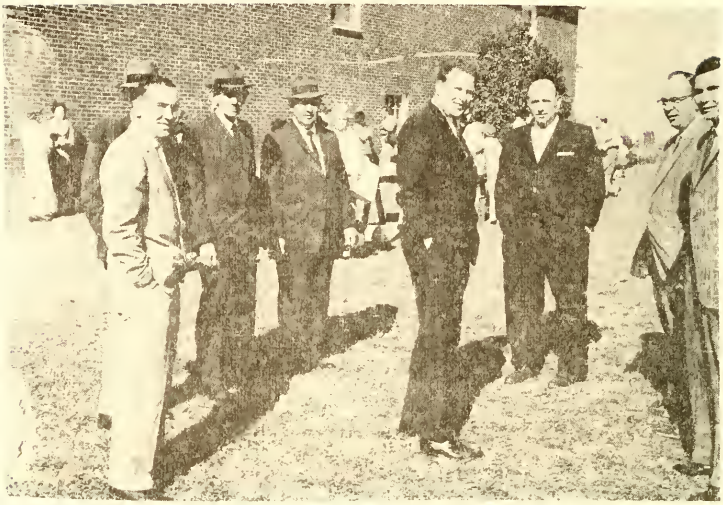
Special music was also rendered by Miss Rosalind Biggerstaff, Miss Irene Hawkins, Miss Nancy Strickland, Miss Betty Jane Cline and Mrs. Richard Spencer accompanied on the piano by Miss Phyllis Hamrick.

A special offering was taken to go on the building fund.

The church was decorated with many beautiful floral arrangements donated by church members.

Following the impressive service, a delicious picnic dinner was enjoyed by all on the front lawn of the church.

TENTH HOME COMING PICNIC LUNCH
October 11, 1959



Left to right: Manning Honeycutt, B. V. McIntyre, Z. V. Cline, Jr., Rev. Richard N. Spencer, pastor, Colon Hamrick, Claude Jones, Jr., and Gus McIntyre.

Nancy Cline is at end of table. Mrs. J. R. Webber and left end of table facing the camera.

On November 8, 1959, the church voted to have a special offering day for Rev. William P. Shytle on December 6, 1959, and a special offering day for Eugene Passmore on January 10, 1960.

On December 13, 1959, the church voted to have an outside light installed on the south end of the church building by Duke Power Company.

Putnam Memorial Church voted on January 10, 1959, to tile the bathrooms, the kitchen, the Adult Leader's room and the halls.

Revival services were held at Putnam Memorial Church on March 20-26, 1960. Rev. W.V. Tarlton brought the messages. There were several rededications, and two came for baptism, Robert Scism and Darrel Honeycutt.

On Sunday night, April 3, 1960, Putnam Memorial Church held a very impressive service, "The Observance of the Lord's Supper," by candlelight.

On April 10, 1960, the church voted to send a letter to Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest, N.C. recommending Rev. William P. Shytle for admission.

On April 3, 1960, Putnam Memorial Church gratefully accepted a lot (100 x 200 feet) donated by Mr. & Mrs. Z.V. Cline, Jr. for a parsonage to be built on, at a later time.

Beginning on Sunday night, April 24, 1960, during the Training Union hours, Rev. Richard Spencer met with the new converts since the beginning of the Associational year (October, 1959) for a series of studies to last seven weeks. The purpose of the study was to help the new converts better understand and appreciate the significance of their salvation experience.

May 8-14, 1960, was G.A. Focus Week. On Wednesday night, May 11, at 7:30 a very impressive presentation service was held at Putnam Memorial Church. The theme of the presentation service was "Jewels for His Kingdom." Mr. Claude Jones, Jr., Junior G.A. Counselor and Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Intermediate G.A. counselor, worked with the girls.

Those receiving awards were as follows:

Maidens -	Nancy Clary
	Vallery Devine
	Linda Hudson
	Rita Nanney
Ladies-In-Waiting -	Wilma Brown
	Vicky Devine
Princess -	Peggy Hudson

Focus Week activities came to a climax with a Mother-Daughter Banquet at the church. The theme of the banquet was "Friends Around The World." This was also the theme for Focus Week.

Beside the G.A.'s, their mothers and the counselors, other guests present were Rev. & Mrs. Richard Spencer, Rev. & Mrs. Bill Shytle, W.M.U. President, Mrs. Edgar Passmore, and Youth Director, Mrs. Joe Bolin.

Sunday, May 29, 1960, was Building Fund day, being the fifth Sunday, and the total offering amounted to $1,382.06.

Vacation Bible School was held June 6-11 with a total enrollment of 104.

On Sunday, August 28, 1960, the church elected Joe Bolin, Jack Lane and Colon Hamrick to serve again on the rotating deacon board.

Also, on August 28, the church voted to adopt a budget totaling weekly $153.79 and annually totaling $8,047.00.

The pastor of Putnam Memorial Church, Rev. Richard N. Spencer, delivered the messages in a revival at the church running August 28-September 3. There were 4 additions to the church.

The week of September 19-23 was preparation week in the church. All Sunday School Officers, all Training Union Officers, song leader and pianists were instructed in their duties for the new church year beginning October 1960-1961.

On October 9, 1960, the church voted to have a dinner on the church grounds as soon as possible after the debt on the church had been liquidated, and note burning had been held.

On Monday night, October 18, 1960, 54 members from Putnam Memorial Church attended the Shelby Training Union Group meeting at the Eastside Baptist Church and came home with the attendance banner. Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. was the director.

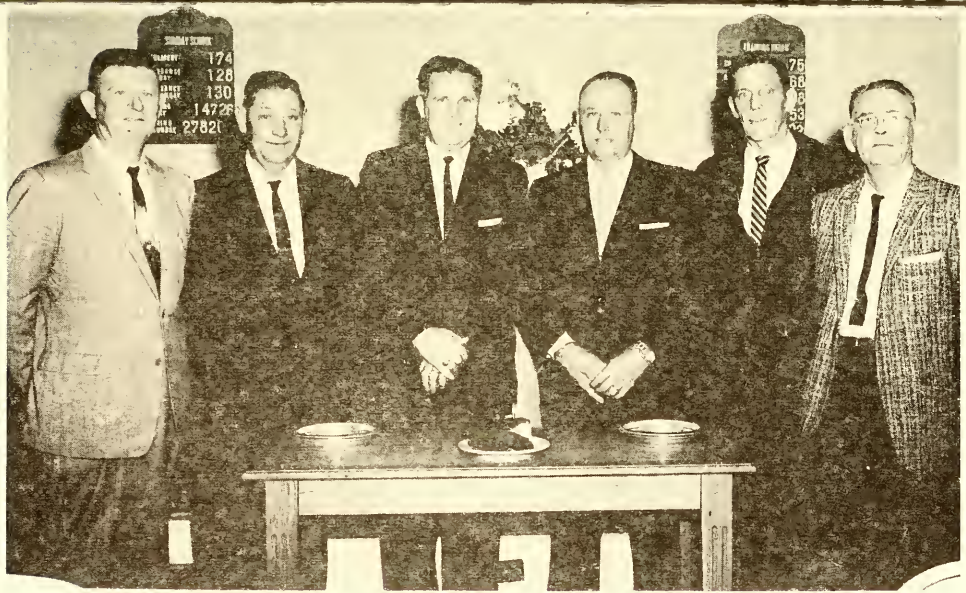
On Building Fund Sunday, October 30, 1960, enough offering was taken to liquidate the church debt of $2,700.00.

On Sunday morning, November 6, 1960, a special service of dedication was held followed by a note burning. A beautiful flower arrangement was sent by Mrs. H.K. Roberts in memory of her husband, Mr. H. K. Roberts, who passed away on July 4th. Special music was rendered by Mrs. Richard Spencer, Miss Rosalind Biggerstaff, Miss Irene Hawkins, Miss Nancy Strickland and Miss Betty Jane Cline accompanied by Phyllis Hamrick at the piano. The pastor, Rev. Richard N. Spencer, read the scripture and welcomed visitors. The Association Missionary, Rev. C. O. Greene, brought the message. The pastor and the congregation read a responsive reading for the service of dedication that had been prepared by the pastor, Rev. Spencer. Deacons Joe Bolin, Buren Peeler, Edgar Passmore, Z.V. Cline, Jr., Claude Jones, Jr., Wilson Biggerstaff and Howard Strickland came to the front of the auditorium and the chairman of the board of deacons, Colon Hamrick, burned the church's note. After a closing prayer, a picnic lunch was enjoyed outside the church building.

On Sunday night, November 6, 1960, the congregation voted to begin a building fund by continuing to deposit with the Building and Loan Company the previous amount the church had been paying on the church debt ($85.00).

On November 13, 1960, the church voted to obtain Miss Tamera Cornwell as Music Director of Putnam Memorial Church for a 30 day trial period.

On December 11, 1960, the church elected the following building committee to begin plans for a new building: Colon Hamrick, J.R. Webber, Gus McIntyre, Z.V. Cline, Jr. and Wilson Biggerstaff.



NOTE BURNING FOR EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

On November 6, 1960, the offering climbed to $2,872.04 to render the 11-year-old church and its educational building debt-free. Membership of the church was 184 and value of the building was $45,000.00 The note burning ceremony paid off the indebtedness on the two and one half year old educational building.
Left to right: J. R. Webber, Z.V. Cline, Jr., Rev. Richard N. Spencer, pastor, Colon E. Hamrick, Howard Strickland and Claude Jones, Sr.

On January 8, 1961, the church elected two new trustees, Z.V. line, Jr. and Joe Bolin, to serve with the following church elected ustees: Colon Hamrick, J.R. Webber and Claude Jones, Sr.

On February 15, 1961, the church voted to take up a special of- ring on February 19 for Eugene Passmore and William P. Shytle ho are studying for the ministry.

On March 19, 1961, Putnam Memorial Church voted to participate a census to cover the entire district of Shelby as each church made a rvey of the field around it. The deacons would be responsible for aking a survey of the Putnam Memorial Church field.

A revival was held at the church on March 26-April 1, 1961. he Rev. Norman Brown delivered the messages. There were eleven rofessions of faith, and one came into the church family by letter.

On Sunday night, April 2, 1961, baptismal services were held at ie church for the eleven new converts who made professions of faith uring the revival.

On June 11, 1961, the church voted to buy ten new Baptist Hym- als for the choir.

On September 3, 1961, the church re-elected J.R. Webber and Gus lcIntyre to the deacon board and also elected one new deacon, Mr. .O. Pribble.

On Sunday night, September 19, 1961, the Girl's Auxiliary of Put- am Memorial Church held its first Coronation Service. The theme as "Saved to Serve." Mrs. Richard Spencer sang "The Church's One oundation." Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Intermediate Girl's Auxiliary Coun- lor, presided. Mrs. William P. Shytle, Junior Girl's Auxiliary Coun- lor, questioned the girls. Mrs. Joe Bolin, G.A. Director, presented a- ards and Mrs. Wayne Allen, W.M.U. President, gave the charges. laidens were Brenda Peeler and Becky Spencer. Ladies-In-Waiting ere Linda Clary, Vallery Devine, Tamara Lane and Linda Hudson. rincesses were Wilma Brown and Rita Nanney. Peggy Hudson was rowned "Queen." Pianist was Irene Hawkins. Flower Girl was Tere- Shytle. Crown Bearer was Keith Lane. Light Bearers were Ron- ie Nanney and Keith Anthony and ushers were Darrell Honeycutt, eorge Biggerstaff and Steve Cline. Pastor Richard Spencer led in the losing prayer.

This is a picture of the first Girl's Auxiliary Coronation Service held in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, September 10, 1961. "Saved to Serve" was the theme. In the first row left to right, Keith Lane, Crownbearer, Peggy Hudson,Queen, Teresa Shytle, flower girl. In the second row left to right, Mrs. Joe Bolin, youth director, Mrs. Wayne Allen, W.M.U. president, Mrs. William Shytle, Junior G.A. Counselor and Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Intermediate G.A. Counselor. In the third row left to right, Tamara Lane, Lady-In-Waiting, Becky Spencer, Maiden, Vallery DeVine, Lady-In-Waiting, and Nancy Clary, Lady-In-Waiting. In the fourth row left to right, Rita Nanney, Princess, Linda Hudson, Lady-In-Waiting, Rev. Richard Spencer, pastor, Brenda Peeler, Maiden, and Wilma Brown, Princess.

The Intermediate G.A. Counselor, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, said that as far as she was concerned the beautiful decorations for the Coronation were a modern day miracle that came about this way.

Everyone involved in any way with the Coronation met at the church on Sunday afternoon, September 10, at 2:00 p.m. to complete the details for the Coronation service and the decorations. The G.A.'s practiced their parts and the order in which they would march into the auditorium and received their charge. Then, they practiced taking their places to stand during the rest of the Coronation service. The G.A.'s then went home to get ready for the service that night.

Other committees were busy with the decorations and after the Intermediate G.A. Counselor placed the large letters spelling out "Saved to Serve" on the wall behind the pulpit, she walked to the entrance of the auditorium to get a full view of the decorations. By this time, all the committees had finished their work.

Having observed other Coronation services in other churches, the Counselor knew just how beautiful and inspirational the decorations could be. She realized that the W.M.S. women responsible for the decorating were doing the best they could with what they had to work with. But she also realized that their work appeared very crude and home-made looking. The home-made candelabras were in bad need of a coat of paint, and no one had realized this in time. The flowers were inadequate and poorly arranged. The overall view seemed to have no theme in mind; everything seemed to have been done at random.

As the G.A. Counselor paused and looked at all of this, she thought that it was just too late to try to do anything to improve the decorations. Pausing there in the entrance to the auditorium, she whispered this prayer: "Lord, I know they have done their very best, but it isn't good enough for the G.A.'s Coronation Service. Please help us!" Then she went home.

Returning to the church in about an hour for the Coronation service, she opened the doors to the auditorium, and her eyes beheld a modern day miracle. God had heard and answered her prayer.

Gone were the crude, home-made looking decorations. In their place were some of the most beautiful and elegant decorations anyone could hope for. Three beautiful seven-tiered candelabras, with white candles in them, encircled with ivy, had been placed one in the center of the wall back of the pulpit and one on either side. Standing in the center front of the pulpit was an elegant tall bronze flower stand filled with lovely green ferns and beautiful white mums and gladioli. Over to the far left of the pulpit, there was a table with an attractive small arrangement of ferns and white mums. The G.A. emblems were placed on this table to be pinned on the deserving girls who had worked so hard on their forward steps.

That Intermediate G.A. Counselor calls the lovely decorations for the first G.A. Coronation held at Putnam Memorial Church a modern day miracle. She never knew exactly how or when they happened. God arranged for someone's wedding that day in another church to be over just before the Coronation. He somehow made the right people aware of a need for their lovely flowers and candelabras. So that when she opened the doors to the auditorium, there they were; a direct answer to her prayers of an hour before. A miracle from God arranged by human hands.

Following the Coronation service, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church.

On Sunday night, September 17, 1961, Mr. A.O. Pribble, newly-elected deacon, was ordained. Pastor Richard Spencer questioned and gave the charge to the candidate, and Rev. William P. Shytle led in prayer followed by the traditional "laying on of hands" by the deacons.

Revival services were held September 24-30 with the Rev. James Stamey bringing the messages assisted by the pastor, Rev. Richard Spencer. The juniors, primaries and beginners brought special music each night led by Miss Phyllis Hamrick. There were many rededications.

On November 12, 1961, the church in conference voted to buy a movie projector.

CHAPTER 5

THE CHURCH BUILDING A PARSONAGE

On January 14, 1962, the church voted to build a parsonage at a ost of $18,000.00 as soon as $5,000.00 was in the building fund. he church also voted to take up a building fund offering each fifth unday.

The parsonage would be built on the lot (100 x 200 feet) that had een donated to the church by Mr. & Mrs. Z.V. Cline, Jr. on April , 1960.

On March 11, 1962, a special offering of $535.00 was taken up for ıe building fund.

A revival was held the week of April 15-22 with the Rev. Don Cal- ıhan bringing the message. Attendance was good, and there were everal rededications.

Vacation Bible School was held June 4-8 with an enrollment of 89. n average attendance of 84 and with an AA grading.

On July 15, 1962, Rev. Richard Spencer resigned as pastor to re- ume his schooling. His resignation was to be effective August 19.

On July 22, 1962, a pulpit committee was elected by ballot. Colon lamrick, Gus McIntyre, Mrs. J.R. Webber, Mrs. Z.V. Cline Jr. and A.O. 'ribble were elected to serve on this committee.

On August 12, 1962, the W.M.U. of Putnam Memorial Church spon- ored a tea for Rev. Richard Spencer and his family. About 90 people alled. The church was decorated lovely with mixed flowers and a love- y table arrangement. Those who served on this committee were Mrs. -ynn, Mrs. Hamrick, Mrs. Webber and Mrs. Cline.

On August 26, 1962, the church voted to call Dr. Donald D. Moore ıs interim pastor.

On October 7, 1962, Mr. Claude Jones, Jr. and Mr. Edgar Passmore were re-elected to serve on the deacon board, and Mr. Willie Pruett was elected as a new deacon. Mr. Pruett had already been ordained in 1954, at Flint Hill Baptist Church.

On October 21, 1962, students from the Christian Volunteer Band of Gardner-Webb College led in the morning worship service. The Sunday School adult classes were also taught by these students.

The church in conference voted February 3, 1963, to ordain Mr. Eugene Passmore for the ministry.

On February 10, 1963, an ordination service to the Baptist ministry was held for Eugene Passmore. The ordination sermon was delivered by Rev. Donald Moore, director of counseling at Gardner-Webb College, who was serving as interim pastor at Putnam Church. The ordination prayer was offered by the Rev. Lawrence Roberts. Following the sermon, all the ordained persons present participated in the traditional "laying on of hands." Then, the chairman of the board of deacons, Colon Hamrick, presented Eugene with a new Bible and a certificate of ordination.

On March 17, 1963, the Rev. George W. Dowd brought the morning messages. On March 24, 1963, the church voted to call Rev. George Dowd as pastor. The church also voted at this time to rent a house for Pastor Dowd to live in until the parsonage could be built. (A house was later rented for Rev. Dowd on Second Street.)

Also, on this same day, the church was brought up to date on the progress of the building program. The building committee was in the process of securing plans for a new parsonage.

On Sunday, March 31, Youth Day was observed at Putnam Church. The young people in the church had charge of the opening assemblies in Sunday School and taught in several classes. Rev. Don Horn from Gardner-Webb College brought the message. The young people sang in the choir.

On April 14, 1963, Easter Sunday morning, Rev. George W. Dowd preached his first sermon as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church.

On May 19, 1963, the church adopted plans for a parsonage that had been presented by the building committee: Mr. Colon Hamrick, Mr. J.R. Webber and Mr. Z.V. Cline, Jr.

Revival services were held May 19-25 with Rev. Donald Moore bringing the messages assisted by Rev. George W. Dowd.

On September 15, 1963, the church re-elected these two men to serve again on the deacon board: Mr. Buren Peeler and Mr. Howard Strickland, Mr. A.D. Holland was elected as a new deacon.

Ordination services were held September 22 for Mr. A.D. Holland who was ordained a deacon. Pastor George W. Dowd delivered the message followed by the traditional "laying on of hands" by the deacons.

On November 10, 1963, the church voted to have a singing every time there was a fifth Sunday in a month.

The pastor, George W. Dowd, and his family moved from the house the church had rented for them on Second Street into the church's new parsonage on December 12, 1963, even though there was still some finishing work to be done on it.

On December 15, the church voted to authorize the trustees, Z.V. Cline, Jr., Joe Bolin, Colon Hamrick and J.R. Webber, to borrow $8,500.00 for the parsonage. A small amount of this would be used for paint and shingles for the church.

On April 5, 1964, the church gratefully accepted a piano donated by Mr. & Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. The church voted to have this piano reworked at a cost of $175.50 by Mr. Spangler. The church also voted to buy a piano for the young people's assembly and also to investigate the cost of having the piano in the youth department tuned.

Revival services were held the week of April 12-19 at Putnam Memorial Church with the Rev. B.L. Kincaid bringing the messages through Friday night. Rev. C.O. Greene delivered the messages Saturday night and Sunday morning. During the week, there were seven professions of faith and one was received by letter into the fellowship of the church. The new converts were baptized Sunday night, April 19, 1964.

On June 21, 1964, the young people had charge of the worship service. Robert Jones, Larry Simpson and Vallery Devine spoke during the worship service. Tamara Lane, Linda Hudson, Vallery Devine and Nancy Clary delivered special music. Dennis Roberts was song leader.

On August 16, 1964, Mr. Garland Clary and Mr. Colon Hamrick were re-elected deacons and Mr. Bob Blanton was elected as a new deacon. On September 6, 1964, ordination services were held for Mr. Bob Blanton. Rev. William P. Shytle delivered a message that was a charge to the deacon. Rev. George W. Dowd delivered a message that was a charge to the church. The traditional "laying on of hands" followed the messages.

Having completed the parsonage in the spring of 1964, on September, the church voted to have open house.

Revival services were held the week of October 11-18, 1964, with Rev. Fred Crisp delivering the messages.

On Thursday, October 22, 1964, the W.M.U. organized a new circle for the young W.M.S. women at the church. There were 12 members present. (The new circle was later called "The Ellese Circle" in honor of Mrs. Richard Spencer and the old circle was called "The Leola Cline Circle" in memory of Mrs. Leola B. Cline. Mrs. Gus McIntyre was elected circle chairman of the Ellese Circle.

On December 6, 1964, the church voted to rename "The Men's Bible Class" in Sunday School to "The Jones' Bible Class" as a memorial To Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr. Mr. Jones taught this class for many morial to Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr. Mr. Jones taught this class for many years and was an honorary deacon of the church. He was also a charter member, a trustee, and one of the first four deacons to be elected in the church.

On March 14, 1965, the Rev. George W. Dowd resigned as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church to begin a new field of work at Willard Baptist Church in Willard, N.C.

On March 21, 1965, the church elected the following pulpit committee: Mr. Colon Hamrick, Mr. A.O. Pribble, Mr. Buren Peeler, Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Joe Bolin.

On April 4, 1965, Rev. E.S. Elliott was elected by the church to serve as interim pastor for a period of time not to exceed 5 months.

On August 29, 1965, the church re-elected A.O. Pribble and Z.V. Cline, Jr. to serve on the deacon board again and elected a new deacon, Gene Webber. On September 26, 1965, an ordination service was held for the new deacon, Gene Webber.

On October 10, 1965, the church voted to make a year's payment n the parsonage. This was in addition to the regular monthly pay-ients.

Also, on October 10, 1965, the church voted for the W.M.U. to be charge of selecting shrubbery for the parsonage.

Also, on October 10, 1965, the church voted unanimously to call ev. Harold L. Threatt as pastor.

On October 31, 1965, the W.M.U. recommended to the church at the church hire Mr. J.C. Adams, of Adams' Nursery, to plant rubbery around the parsonage for the sum of $35.00. The church ted to do this.

On November 21, 1965, Mrs. J.R. Webber read a letter to the urch from Rev. Harold Threatt wherein he accepted the call as pas-r of Putnam Memorial Church, planning to assume his duties in Janu-y of 1966. However, due to the delayed arrival of their second child, was not until February 13, 1966, that Rev. Threatt preached his st sermon as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church.

On January 2, 1966, the church voted to pay $2,000.00 on our par-nage note and to raise the balance of $4,484.02 by January 23, 1966.

On February 6, 1966, the church voted to pay off the remaining bt on the parsonage of $3,431.44.

On February 20, 1966, a reception was held from 2:00 until 00 p.m. in the parsonage for our new pastor and his family.

On March 12, 1966, the church in conference voted to recommend nnie Nanney for admission to the Southeastern Baptist Seminary.

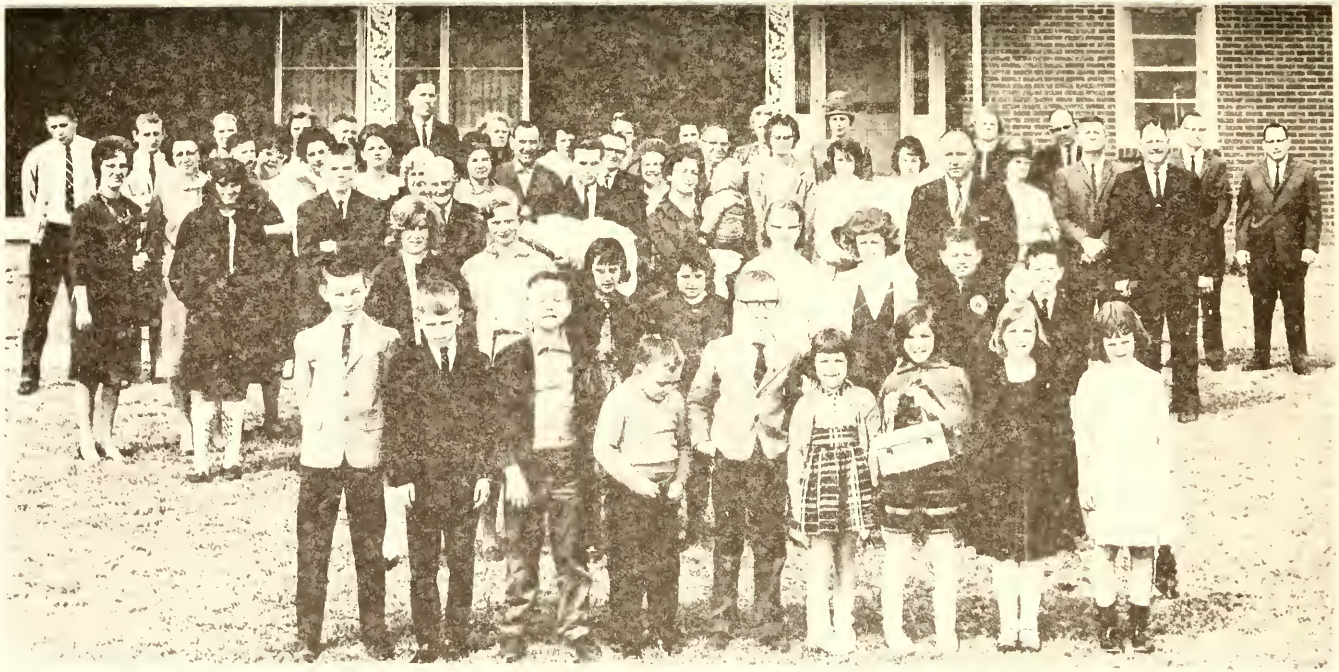
Also, on March 12, 1966, immediately following the worship ser-e, a note burning ceremony for the church parsonage was held on the nt lawn of the parsonage.

On March 17, 1966, the church voted to purchase a mimeograph hine for $306.00 and a typewriter for $125.00 for the church of-. The church also voted at this time to take a special offering for next two Sundays to help pay for this equipment.

NOTE BURNING CEREMONY FOR THE PARSONAGE

March 12, 1966

Left to right: Rev. Harold L. Threatt, pastor, Z. V. Cline, Jr., J. R. Webber and Colon Hamrick



Putnam Memorial Congregation at the Note Burning Ceremony for the Parsonage - March 12, 1966

On April 6, 1966, the church voted to sponsor a Junior and Senior Fellowship for the first time for the young people in the church. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Webber were elected to serve as Senior Fellowship sponsors.

A few months later, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Johnson were elected to serve as Junior Fellowship sponsors.

On May 11, 1966, the church voted to buy a new refrigerator for the pastorium.

CHAPTER 6
A NEW SANCTUARY

On May 29, 1966, the church voted to set aside the first Sunday in ch month as Building Fund Day with the offering going into a Build- g Fund Treasury. On June 8, 1966, Mrs. Colon Hamrick was elected uilding Fund Treasurer.

The church held its first two weeks Vacation Bible School the first o full weeks of June in 1966. Rev. Harold L. Threatt was the prin- pal, and attendance was good with an enrollment of 123 pupils.

On July 27, 1966, six Girl's Auxiliary members, Mary Peeler, Sylvia Hen, Donna Hudson, Janie Allen, Patricia Passmore, Debby McIntyre, d their counselor, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, met at the church to attend uth Mountain Baptist Camp for the first time. The pastor, Rev. arold Threatt, and the W.M.U. president, Mrs. J.R. Webber, drove em up there. "A Message to Proclaim" was the theme for the 1966 mp.

Putnam Memorial G.A.'s shared a cabin with a group of girls from ttimore Baptist Church. It was a wonderful four days of fun, fellow- ip, study and worship on top of the mountain where the G.A. girls lt so close to God and one another.

It began to rain on Friday night and by Saturday morning, it was uring down. The G.A.'s and their counselor packed their bags and rried them inside the assembly building where they waited for the rs to arrive to take them home. Soon most of the other campers had ft, and Putnam Memorial G.A.'s thought they had been forgotten. nally, the counselor's husband, Mr. Gus McIntyre, arrived. Six girls, eir counselor, seven suitcases, seven cosmetic cases, seven pillows, sev- l blankets and Mr. McIntyre all piled into one small car and, some- w, made it home.

This was a group of tired and very sleepy G.A. girls who had en- yed the time of their lives at camp and were already making plans to back next year. However, they were determined to have a little bet- r transportation arrangements next time. They went back to South ountain Camp every summer for the next five years.

Having set aside the first Sunday in each month as Building Fund Sunday, the church, on August 10, 1966, discussed beginning special promotions for Building Fund Sunday, At this time, the church voted that $500.00 be transferred from the general offering fund to the building fund and that the entire building fund offering be deposited into a savings account to draw interest.

On September 25, 1966, the church elected three deacons to serve again on the rotating deacon board. They were Jack Lane, Gus McIntyre and J.R. Webber.

On Sunday morning, December 18, 1966, the church held a White Christmas Service. Everything in the pulpit was covered in white including the floor. Just in front of the pulpit was a table covered in white with a beautiful white floral arrangement of poinsettias on it. To the far right of the auditorium stood a large Christmas tree sprayed white and trimmed with all white decorations. In front of the auditorium, three large white boxes were placed. Church members, who were present, put gifts wrapped in white in these white boxes. One box would be taken to the patients at Broughton Hospital. Another box would be taken to the children at Western Carolina Hospital. The third box was for the children in the Baptist orphanage. This was one of the most beautiful, impressive and most inspirational services ever held in Putnam Memorial Church.

On Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25, 1966, along with Sunday School and the worship service on Christmas morning, the church observed a deeply moving candlelight communion service at 7:00 p.m. Sunday night.

On June 7, 1967, the church voted to have a church directory made as planned by Hudson Church Directory Company in Greenville, South Carolina.

A two weeks Vacation Bible School was held again this year from June 5 through June 16, 1967 with an enrollment of 125 pupils. On Friday night, June 16, a picnic supper was enjoyed on the front lawn of the church by V.B.S. pupils, their parents and friends. Commencement exercises were held inside the church after the picnic. A special offering of $21.87 given by the V.B.S. pupils was sent to the Glen Cunningham Youth Ranch in Augusta, Kansas.

On August 6, 1967, the building committee brought before the urch a recommendation that plans be made to begin an auditorium contemporary or modern construction to seat 350 people and to st approximately $50,000.00. Also, that when $25,000.00 had been ised, the church would borrow an additional $25,000.00 from the ilding and Loan and begin construction. Mr. Edgar Passmore made e motion, and it was seconded by Mr. Roscoe Patterson. The church proved this one hundred percent.

The building committee consists of Colon Hamrick, Gus McIntyre R. Webber, Maynard Ledford and Buren Peeler.

On September 10, 1967, the church re-elected three deacons. ey were Claude Jones, Jr., Buren Peeler and Edgar Passmore. The ficers and teachers of the church for the new associational year, tober, 1967-September, 1968, were also elected at this time.

On Sunday night, September 17, 1967, the Girl's Auxiliary of tnam Memorial Church held its second G.A. Coronation. The theme s "For God So Loved".

Judy Howard was crowned queen and her attendants were Bonnie ward, flower girl and Michael Ledford, crown bearer.

Others receiving awards were princess, Dawn Mode; ladies-in-wai-g, Janice Bolin, Debby McIntyre and Mary Peeler; maidens, Janie en, Sylvia Allen, Jenene Braswell, Kathy Howard, Donna Hudson, tricia Passmore, Connie Patterson, Wanda Patterson and Gwen Strick-d. Ushers were Jerry Jones, Keith Lane, Lynn Webber and Wanda bber. Candlelighters were Terry McIntyre and Gary Patterson.

Music was presented by Mrs. Henry Braswell playing the piano and ss Tamara Lane singing "The Love of God" and "The Light of the rld."

Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Girl's Auxiliary counselor, presided and ques-ned the G.A.'s on their forward steps work. Mrs. J.R. Webber, M.U. president, presented the awards and gave charges.

On September 10, 1967 during the regular church conference eting, a building fund promotion committee was elected by the urch. This committee was composed of Mrs. Z.V. Cline, Mrs. Gene bber, Mr. Roscoe Patterson, Mr. Colon Hamrick and Mr. Maynard dford.

This is a picture of the second Girl's Auxiliary Coronation Service held in Putnam Memorial Church on Sunday night, Sept. 17, 1967. "For God So Loved" was the theme. In the first row left to right are Patrica Passmore, Maiden Connie Patterson, Maiden, Jenene Braswell, Maiden, Michael Ledford, crown bearer, Bonnie Howard, flower girl, Gwen Strickland, Maiden, and Janice Bolin, Lady-In-Waiting. In the second row left to right Donna Hudson, Maiden, Sylvia Allen, Maiden, Gary Patterson, candle lighter, Wanda Patterson, Maiden, Terry McIntyre, candle lighter, Janie Allen, Maiden, and the pastor, Rev. Harold Threatt. In the third row left to right Mrs. J. R. Webber, W.M.U. President, Debby McIntyre, Lady-In-Waiting, Mary Peeler, Lady-In-Waiting, Judy Howard, Queen, Dawn Mode, Princess, Miss Tamara Lane, Vocalist, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, G.A. Director and Counselor and Mrs. Henry Braswell, Pianist.

The first building fund promotion committee meeting was held Sunday November 5, at 2:00 p.m. At this time, the committee elected Mr. Roscoe Patterson, chairman, and Mrs. Z.V. Cline, Jr., secretary.

The committee made the following plans:

1. To purchase special building fund envelopes for the church members to use during this building program.

2. To have a special Thanksgiving drive for the building fund offering on Nov. 26.

3. To send a letter to each member of the church explaining to them about this special drive and to include a building fund offering envelope in each letter.

4. For each Sunday School class to elect someone to serve in the class as a chairman to promote among the members this special Thanksgiving drive and to promote the building fund offering for as long as the church is in this building program.

On November 8, 1967, the above plans from the building fund promotion committee were adopted by the church.

On September 22, 1968, the church elected Colon Hamrick and A. J. Holland to serve again on the deacon board and Roscoe Patterson was elected to serve as a new deacon.

On November 3, 1968, Mr. Roscoe Patterson was ordained as a deacon. The pastor, Rev. Harold Threatt, delivered the message followed by the traditional "laying on of hands."

On December 15, 1968, the church voted to pay 10 cents per member for two years to help defray the expenses of writing an associational history which would include a section on Putnam Memorial Church.

A "Crusade of the Americas" revival was held at the church April 6-13, 1969. This was a revival in which the Baptist churches in the United States joined with Baptist churches in South America and Canada to hold revivals at the same time with special prayer emphasis on the American continent and world conditions. The pastor, Rev. Harold Threatt, delivered the messages. Ronnie Winegard, who serves as Minister of Music in Greenville, S.C., led the singing and Mitchell Humphries, the son of the pastor at Ronnie's church, played the piano.

On May 13, 1969, the church gratefully accepted an organ donated by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Allen of Charlotte, N.C.

On May 25, 1969, the church voted to let the building committee secure the services of a professional architect to help guide the church in determining what is best for the church in this building program, and that the extent of the services of the architect be left to the discretion of the building committee.

On July 13, 1969, the church voted that the second Sunday night of each month be set aside for "Sing Night," especially using the talent of Putnam Memorial Church in solos, duets, trios, quartets or choir.

On August 3, 1969, the church elected a historical committee to compile the history of Putnam Memorial Church to be used in the history of the Kings Mountain Baptist Associational History. Those on the committee were Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Mrs. J.R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. Mrs. Gus McIntyre later assumed the responsibilities of chairman.

On September 14, 1969, the church elected Gene Webber to serve on the deacon board again and Wayne Bryson and Maynard Ledford were elected new deacons. The two new deacons were ordained on September 28, 1969 with Rev. Harold Threatt bringing the message followed by the traditional "laying on of hands."

The W.M.U. of Putnam Memorial Church received the distinquished award for the year October, 1968- September, 1969.

Mrs. Gus McIntyre was the W.M.U. director and Mrs. Claude Jones Jr. was the W.M.S. president. There were only about five churches in the Kings Mountain Association to receive this award. This was the first year under the new W.M.U. work, and this award represented the diligent work of the W.M.S. women in Putnam Memorial Church.

This is a picture of the third and last Girl's Auxiliary Coronation Service held in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church on Sunday Night, Dec. 14, 1969. The theme was "O Worship the King." In the first row left to right, Sandy Ledbetter - usher, Marcia Whisnant - usher, Joy Wilson- crown bearer, Dawn Mode - Queen, Terrace Nanney - flower girl and Rev. Harold Threatt - pastor. In the second row left to right, Mrs. Wayne Allen - Junior GA Leader, Beverly Ledbetter - Maiden, Kim Strickland - Maiden, Gwen Strickland - Lady-In-Waiting, Kathy Patterson - Maiden Donna Wright - Maiden, and Miss Tamara Lane - Vocalist. In the third row left to right, Janice Bolin - Pianist, Donna Hudson - candle lighter, Wanda Patterson - candle lighter, Jenene Braswell - Princess, Lynn Webber - Maiden, Janie Allen - Princess, Connie Patterson - Lady-In-Waiting, and Mrs. Gus McIntyre - GA Director, and Intermediate GA Leader.

"O Worship The King" was the theme for a beautiful and impressive Girl's Auxiliary Coronation Service held Sunday night, December 14, 1969, during the worship service at Putnam Memorial Church.

The G.A. colors, green, white and gold, were used as the color scheme. A Nativity scene and holiday decorations made the theme, "O Worship The King " an inspirational Christmas Coronation.

The service was held to recognize and award the G.A. emblem to girls advancing in their forward steps work.

Dawn Mode was crowned queen and her attendants were Terrace Nanney, flower girl and Joy Wilson, crown bearer.

Others receiving awards were: Princesses, Janie Allen and Jenene Braswell; ladies-in-waiting, Connie Patterson and Gwen Strickland; maidens, Beverly Ledbetter, Kathy Patterson, Donna Wright, Kim Strickland and Lynn Webber.

Candle lighters were Donna Hudson and Wanda Patterson. Sandy Ledbetter and Marcia Whisnant served as ushers.

Mrs. Gus McIntyre, G.A. director and Intermediate G.A. leader, presided and questioned the G.A.'s. Mrs. Wayne Allen, Junior G.A. leader, presented the emblems and gave charges. Mrs. Maynard Ledford, assistant G.A. leader, read the scripture: Luke 2: 1-20.

Christmas carols were presented by Miss Janice Bolin and Mrs. Gary Johnson, pianists, with Miss Tamara Lane as vocalist.

Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. was the W.M.U. director, and the reviewing council members were Mrs. J.R. Webber, chairman, Mrs. Joe Bolin and Mrs. Fred Lynn.

Following the Coronation service, a reception was held in the social hall of the church with Mrs. Jack Lane, W.M.U. hostess, in charge.

This was the third Coronation service held in Putnam Memorial Church. In the other two, Sunbeam boys served as crown bearers to the queen and R.A. boys served as ushers and candle lighters. However, the G.A. leaders and the G.A. girls decided to use the G.A. girls

ho were not being recognized for their forward steps work as flower rl, crown bearer, candle lighters and ushers. In this way, every G.A. as used in, what turned out to be, the last G.A. Coronation service ld at Putnam Memorial Church.

On April 19, 1970, the church voted to call Mrs. Stephan Morrisett Boiling Springs as part-time Minister of Music on a six months trial sis for $50.00 per month.

On August 9, 1970, the church approved the architect's final drawgs for the new church sanctuary.

On October 11, 1970, the church elected Colon Hamrick and J.R. ebber to construct the new building with Colon Hamrick serving as airman and J.R. Webber to assist in any way possible. At this time, so, Maynard Ledford was elected building fund treasurer.

Also, on October 11, 1970, J.R. Webber and Gus McIntyre were ected by the church to serve on the deacon board again and Jerry nith was elected as a new deacon in our church. However, Jerry was dained as a deacon in New Buffalo Baptist Church on September 15, 63, with Rev. C.C. Crow bringing the message.

On October 18, 1970, a ground breaking ceremony for the new nctuary was held on the front lawn of the church where the sancary would be built.

Mrs. Stephen Morrisett resigned as Minister of Music in Putnam morial Church on November 8, 1970.

A wonderful revival was held at Putnam Memorial Church on Nomber 16-22, 1970, with Rev. Richard Spencer bringing the messages.

On January 10, 1971, the church elected a committee composed of s. Jack Lane, Mrs. J.R. Webber, Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Mrs. Harold reatt to buy new draperies for the parsonage.

On May 9, 1971, the church voted to extend a call to Dr. Phil Per, music professor at Gardner-Webb College, for Minister of Music at tnam Memorial Church. Dr. Perrin accepted this call and on May 23, . and Mrs. Phil Perrin joined Putnam Memorial Church. He could reain in this position as Minister of Music for six months. Then, he must sign. This is one of the rules that he must abide by at the college.

On September 19, 1971, the church voted to transfer $500.00 m the general fund treasury into the building fund.

BULLETIN

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

SHELBY, NORTH CAROLINA

HAROLD L. THREATT, Pastor

October 18, 1970 21st Anniversary

GROUND - BREAKING CEREMONY FOR NEW SANCTUARY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE Everyone in Unison

"We are assembled to dedicate and break this ground for a new house for the worship of Almighty God, the God of our Fathers. Let us no doubt that He will favorably approve our godly purpose, and let us in voke His blessing on this our undertaking. We will build here a house of worship in which to glorify God and serve mankind."

HYMN OF DEDICATION "All Hail The Power"

"All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all !"

"Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all !"

"Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all !"

"O that with yonder sacred throng We at His feet may fall !
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all !"

ESPONSIVE READING OF DEDICATION — Pastor and People

ASTOR: We break the earth upon this spot, to build a
Structure made of wood and steel and stone;
That we may bring to birth in hearts of men
A temple to the living God above,
Whose inner spirit is the leart of love.

OPLE: With hands of helpfulness and hearts of praise
We break the earth and dedicate this spot,
Holding the faith our Christian forebears held,
With zealous spirits seeking mankind's good,
Telling of Jesus who died upon the rood.

STOR: We break this earth and dedicate this spot
That one more unit of Christ's church may rise
To foster worship and the love of God,
To serve the present age and mankind's needs,
And liberate the soul from human greeds.

OPLE: We break this earth to break the self-restraints
That hold men back from giving each his best.
We share this act and share Christ's purposes,
Who died that men might truly come to be
By faith God's sons, and live eternally.

STOR: We break this earth - with faith in the high goals
Of God's great Kingdom, meant for all mankind,
With trust in God's great power to bring to pass
What from afar with great desire we see -
Strong bonds that bind in true community.

L: So in Christ's name we break this crust of earth,
That men may come to know God's way for them,
That in a world still fraught with strife and woe
Men may still work for brotherhood and peace,
And, by God's way, from sin may find release.

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GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE NEW SANCTUARY

October 18, 1970

In the front: Maynard Ledford, Gus McIntyre, J. R. Webber, Colon Hamrick, the building committee; the pastor, Rev. Harold L. Threatt, Mrs. B. V. McIntyre representing the adults of the church and Keith Lane representing the youth of the church. In the background all the members of Putnam Memorial Church who were present that Sunday.

On September 19, 1971, Edgar Passmore and Buren Peeler were e-
ted to serve again on the three year rotating deacon board, and Keith
thony was elected as a new deacon. Keith was ordained on October
, 1971. Rev. Harold Threatt delivered the message followed by the
ditional "laying on of hands."

On February 20, 1972, Dr. Phil Perrin left Putnam Memorial
urch as Minister of Music as his six months with the church had been
at the first of the year.

On April 16, 1972, the pastor, Rev. Harold Threatt, resigned, ask-
that the church accept his resignation to become effective at the
se of the evening service on May 28, 1972, to accept the call to
ach at Woodlawn Baptist Church in Conover, North Carolina. Re-
tfully, the church voted to accept his resignation.

On April 30, 1972, the church elected the following pulpit commit-
: Mr. Colon Hamrick, Mr. Maynard Ledford, Mr. Edgar Passmore,
s. J.R. Webber and Mrs. Jack Lane with two alternates, Mrs. D.P.
ith, Jr. and Mr. Jerry Smith.

The pulpit committee met with Dr. Frank Malone May 24, 1972,
a Wednesday night. Dr. Malone agreed to fill the pulpit until the
urch could call an interim pastor. He preached his first sermon on
dnesday night, June 7.

On June 11, 1972, the church voted to pay Rev. Harold Threatt
e week's vacation pay ($100.00) as he had not taken a vacation be-
e he resigned from our church on April 16, 1972, and the church
nted to do this for him out of appreciation for his years of dedicated
vice in the Putnam Memorial Church field.

The pulpit committee called Dr. Van Murrell, Chairman of the De-
rtment of Religious Studies, at Gardner-Webb College, to serve as
erim pastor on June 11. He preached his first sermon at Putnam
morial Church on August 6, 1972.

On September 11, 1972, the church, for the first time, elected a
retary, Mrs. David Mellon, for $35.00 per week.

Also, on September 11, 1972, Mr. Claude Jones, Jr., Mr. Colon
mrick and Mr. A.D. Holland were again elected to serve on the rota-
g deacon board.

On September 24, 1972, the church elected the new officers and teachers for the year October, 1972- September, 1973.

On October 8, 1972, upon the recommendation of the building committee, the church voted to have the parsonage painted inside and outside for an estimated cost of $600.00.

On November 19, 1972, upon the recommendation of the building fund promotion committee, the church voted to conduct a drive to help defray the cost of the new auditorium with donations in the following amounts:

Pews - $200.00 each
Lights - $150.00 each
Windows - $75.00 each
Carpet - in $25.00 or more donations until the carpet is paid for.

Those donating these amounts will have their names placed on a plaque to be placed in the new Sanctuary vestibule.

Also, on November 19, 1972, the church voted to buy a new piano and a new organ for the new Sanctuary at an estimated cost of between $6,000.00 and $8,000.00.

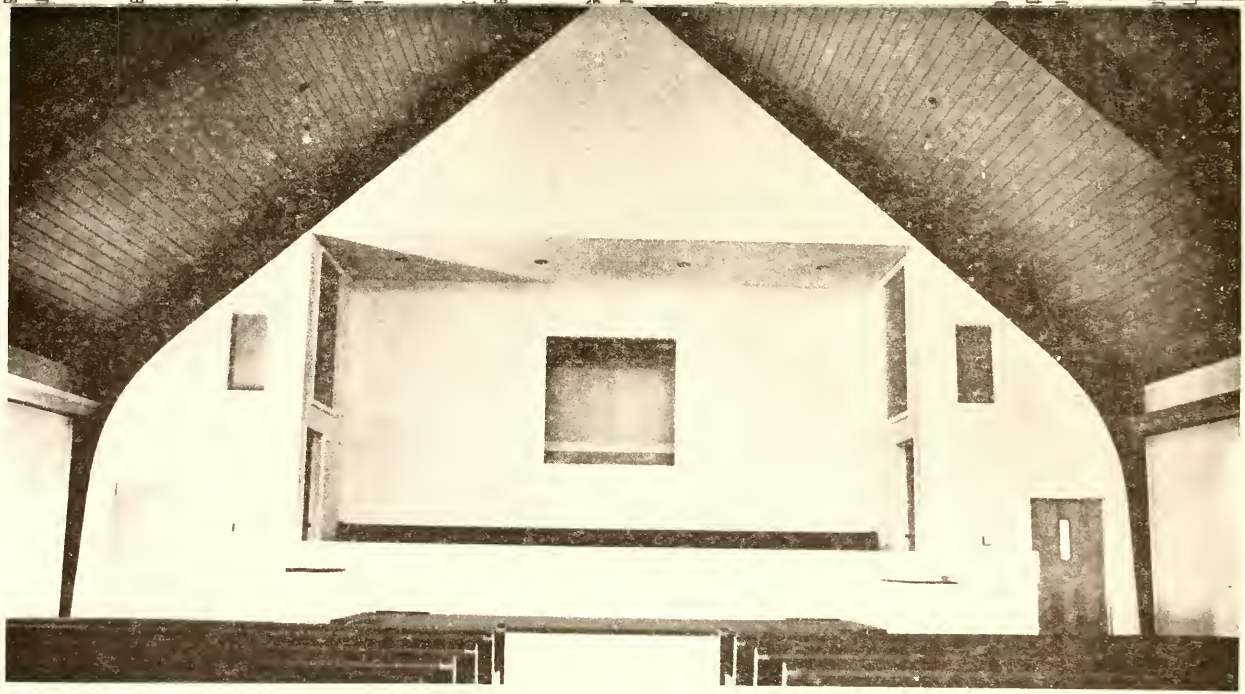
On December 10, 1972, the building committee secured the permission of the church to borrow the needed funds to complete the building of the new Sanctuary.

On December 31, 1972, the church voted to have parking lots, sidewalks and driveway around the church paved at a cost of approximately $9,500.00. This would increase the amount to be borrowed by the church to around $30,000.00 to $35,000.00.

On January 7, 1973, the church voted to buy 25 choir robes to match the color decor in the new Sanctuary.

On January 14, 1973, the congregation voted to buy 200 new Baptist Hymnals.

On Feb. 11, 1973, the church voted to give the old organ that had been donated to the church by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Allen of Charlotte, N.C. to Enon Baptist Church near Kings Creek, S.C. where Mr.



The front view of the inside of the new Sanctuary, showing the pulpit, choir loft and baptistry. Curtains and the pulpit furniture have been added since this picture was made.

Roy Wilson, who is a sister to Mrs. Buren Peeler, is a member. Putnam Memorial Church will not need this organ anymore since a new one has been purchased for the new Sanctuary.

The deacons reported they had decided to change their meetings from the last Monday night in each month to the first Monday night after the first Sunday in each month.

Also, during this church conference, the church voted to have 150 paperback books printed of the church history.

At this time, the building committee reported that they had borrowed $35,000.00 from the First National Bank at 6½% interest for ten years with the monthly payments being $397.42.

On Sunday, Feb. 25, 1973, the congregation voted to have the Community Easter Sunrise Service at Putnam Memorial Church.

Then, on Wednesday, Feb. 28, the members voted to have Open House from 2 until 4 p.m. after the Dedication Service and picnic lunch on Sunday, March 4, 1973.

The Dedication Service for the new Sanctuary was held Sunday, March 4, 1973. The details of this Service can be found on the following pages.

The 25 green choir robes accented in yellow and white did not arrive in time for the Dedication Service, but came the very next day on Monday, March 5.

The week before Sunday, March 4, 1973, was a very busy week for the members of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church. Many of them were at the church, in the educational building, every minute they could possibly be, washing windows and blackboards, scrubbing floors, putting up new or cleaned curtains, placing flower arrangements on tables, putting down carpet on the steps and painting the nursery. Also, tables were placed in the old auditorium in the south end of the educational building. All of this was in preparation for the Dedication Service to be held on March 4, for the picnic lunch to be held in the old auditorium after the Dedication Service and for open house that would follow the picnic from 2 until 4 p.m.

Some of the men of the church were busy putting up the light fixres in the new Sanctuary and doing other last minute preparations tting ready for the Dedication Service. Lovely green ferns were iced in the new Sanctuary by the hostess committee. Mr. & Mrs. :k Lane placed the beautiful floral arrangements in the new Sancary and in its vestibule in memory of all the deceased members of tnam Memorial Church.

There were those who were also busy in their homes; one preparing lletins for the Dedication Service and another compiling the oral story. Others were sending out invitations to former pastors, interim stors, members who had moved away, those who have had a special erest in the church over the years and those who helped make comtion of the new Sanctuary possible.

The pianist, Mrs. David Mellon, and the organist, Mrs. D.P. Smith, , were busy getting acquainted with the new piano and the new orn while the choir practiced, "The King Is Coming" for the Dedication rvice until it was as near perfection as it is possible for human beings make anything.

Then, of course, the women of the church were busy on the weekd preparing some of the most delicious food ever spread out on tas anywhere for the picnic lunch. One of the visitors, Mrs. Marvin rner, said, "I never saw as many pretty desserts on one table before my life."

The important thing about all this activity was that "the people d a mind to work." (Nehemiah 4: 6b). They were busy, with iles on their faces, doing their work with hearts filled with love for d, for His building they were preparing for dedication to Him and one another.

As Sunday, March 4, drew near, it just seemed that the congregan could not stay away from the church and on Sunday, the Dedican Service was everything the congregation had anticipated and much re. Truly, the hand of God was moving in the Service and many rs of joy were shed by the members who had worked so hard for so g to be able to worship in this beautiful new Sanctuary.

Mr. Colon Hamrick, in his welcoming comments, made reference the smiles on the faces of the members of Putnam Memorial Church d said it was due in part to the fact that "many of them had been

members of this church most of their lives and had never had a pe to sit down in and worship, except one that had been given to them b another church or a hard metal chair." Truly, everyone had been a smiles for over a week and when Mr. Hamrick said this, the smiles gre bigger, and many wiped tears from their eyes.

Then, Mrs. Tamara Valentine sang "Fill My Cup, Lord; I Lift It Up Lord." This was so appropriate as God had truly filled the cups of th members of Putnam Memorial Church in guiding them in the buildin of this new Sanctuary, and they had gathered together to lift it bac up to Him through the Dedication Service.

Rev. E. Eugene Passmore, Jr., a young minister ordained by Putnan Memorial Church, chose some very appropriate Scripture passages as h read from Psalm 84 and I Kings, the 8th Chapter. Then, Rev. Lew E. Ludlum, who started out with the church in the tent as interim pa tor, led in prayer.

Mrs. Betty Patterson McIntyre, chairman of the historical commi tee, gave a summary of the history of the church.

Then, followed a very impressive dedication ceremony as the buil ing was presented by the chairman of the building committee to t deacons of the church.

The chairman of the building committee, Mr. Colon Hamrick, w also a charter member of the church and as he was turning the ne Sanctuary over to the deacons of the church, he said, " I am real pro to have had a part in the building of this Sanctuary. I was ordained the temporary building on that dirt floor and, you know, you kneel f the "laying on of hands," and my knees were in the sand, and I a proud of it.

I am happy to have had a part in the building of this churc he said, "and each one has contributed and contributed well to t building of this Sanctuary."

He continued, "Today is a day that we the people of this chur have been praying, dreaming and working for, for over 20 years. T day, this dream has become a reality, and it is with grateful hearts th we gather here today to dedicate this building to the Glory of Go He said, "We thank God for his Divine Guidance and wisdom in th rection of this building and may we always use it to the upbuilding Thy Kingdom."

Then, his closing comment was, "as chairman of the building committee, it gives me great pleasure, and I want to say I have great faith in these deacons and the members of this church and now I present it to the board of deacons."

Mr. Buren Peeler, assistant chairman of the deacons, in accepting the new Sanctuary on behalf of the deacons of the church said,"I want to accept this building this morning for the church and for the deacons. I want to say I appreciate the building committee for the work they have done and for each one that has contributed towards this building. I want to pledge for the members of this church that we will respect this building as the Temple of God and for the deacons that we will protect this Sanctuary and that it will always be a place of worship to the Lord as long as the building shall stand."

Dr. Vann Murrell, interim pastor of Putnam Memorial Church, led the congregation in the vows of dedication. Kings Mountain Baptist Associational Moderator, Rev. Roland Leath, led in the prayer of dedication and the congregation then sang "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Rev. Joe T. Whitworth, a former pastor of the church, led in the offertory prayer, after which, the choir sang so very well the beautiful hymn, "The King Is Coming."

Another former pastor of the church, Rev. Richard N. Spencer, delivered the message. In his opening comments, he said, "In the 12th chapter of Hebrews we read, "We are surrounded with a great cloud of witness." It seems to me the writer is talking about those who have gone on to be with the Lord. They are in the Father's house. I remember there was a six year old girl singing one Sunday, and one of these members, who is already in the Father's house, just couldn't contain himself and he began applauding." (He was referring to Mr. B. F. McIntyre). He continued, "I wonder this morning that if some of these who don't occupy a physical position; but I wonder, if not in spirit, there is not the applause of some of these that have went on to be with the Lord. Their faith was that which helped us day by day. May we never forget the contribution that they made. Not just older members, but some of the younger members too. May God let us not forget these and the contribution they made."

Then, he continued as he spoke to Rev. Eugene Passmore, "Gene, the Scripture that you read, Psalm 84, was the same Scripture that was read when the other building was dedicated," (the south end of the

educational plant), "and I remember Rev. Lawrence Roberts said ther "You know that is strange. That is the same Scripture passage we rea when we dedicated the first building we built here, (the north end o the educational plant) "and you read the same Scripture passage toda God certainly has guided this congregation."

Rev. Spencer read his text from the Ninth Chapter of Mark, verse 2-7, 14-18, and 27-28. He raised the questions, "Who hath comman ed you to build this House? From where have you derived your autho ity to build, and what is your motivation for building this building Then, he answered the questions by saying, "We are the servants o God and through his guidance and leadership, we come to build

Rev. Spencer pointed out that in Chapter 9 of Mark there are tw incidents that should be of concern to the church of today. (1) Th Transfiguration of Jesus when Jesus received power from on high an (2) a boy with a graphic need that the disciples who had not been wit Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration to received power could n meet. However, Jesus used the power he had receive in that gre experience to serve the needs of that boy. Rev. Spencer said, "Th Sanctuary should be a place to worship and a place to serve." should be a place from which God's people received His power to out and serve the needs of the Putnam Memorial community.

As the invitation hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" was su one came to rededicate himself anew to the Lord just as many did their hearts.

Then, Rev. Spencer said, "As we have dedicated this building th morning, and you are a member of this church, and you would like rededicated your life, what you are and what you have unto His K dom and you would vow this morning that God may have your l rededicated unto Him, would you just lift your hand and leave it while Dr. Vann Murrell leads in the closing prayer."

It seemed that every church member raised their hand and most of those who were visiting.

There were 154 members present for this service and 120 gue making the total present 274. The offering was $1,456.82.

There were 15 of the charter members of Putnam Memorial Church esent for the Dedication Service for the new Sanctuary. They were: ck Lane, Mrs. Jack Lane, J.R. Webber, Mrs. J.R. Webber, Jimmy mes B.) Webber, Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Fennel tterson, Roscoe Patterson, Mrs. Faye Patterson Hudson, Claude nes, Jr., Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mrs. Mary Catherine Jones Raxter, lon Hamrick and Mrs. Colon Hamrick.

Putnam Memorial pastors, interim pastors and their wives who were esent were Rev. Lewis Ludlum, Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, Rev. & Mrs. e T. Whitworth, Rev. & Mrs. Richard N. Spencer and Mr. & Mrs. M. nn Murrell.

Rev. & Mrs. E. Eugene Passmore, Jr. were also present. Rev. Passre was ordained at Putnam Memorial.

Kings Mountain Baptist Associational Moderator, Rev. Roland ath, was present as well as Rev. N.S. Hardin who once lived in this mmunity and has visited and preached in Putnam Memorial Church ny times.

The architect who drew the plans for the Sanctuary, Mr. L. P. Hold, Jr., and his associate, Mr. Jerry McGinnis, were present. Also esent was Mr. Marvin Hamrick who did some of the painting.

Following the benediction by Dr. Vann Murrell, a delicious picnic ch was enjoyed by everyone who could stay, in the old auditorium the south end of the educational plant. It was truly a wonderful e of fellowship for everyone present.

Then, from 2 until 4 p.m., Open House was held. Thirty-seven ple called during this time. Among those was another charter mem- of the church, Mrs. Howard Strickland, and also the Kings Moun- Baptist Associational Missionary, Rev. C.O. Greene, and Mrs. C.O. ene.

Yes, the Dedication Service was truly everything the congregation hoped for and much more. The feelings of everyone present could bably be summed up by these words by one of the members of the rch who was there, Mrs. Odell Humphries, when she said, "I have er been happier than I was Sunday before in my life."

This is the Bulletin for the Dedication Service for the new Sanctuary of

PUTNAM MEMORIAL CHURCH

Putnam Memorial Baptist Church

Shelby, North Carolina

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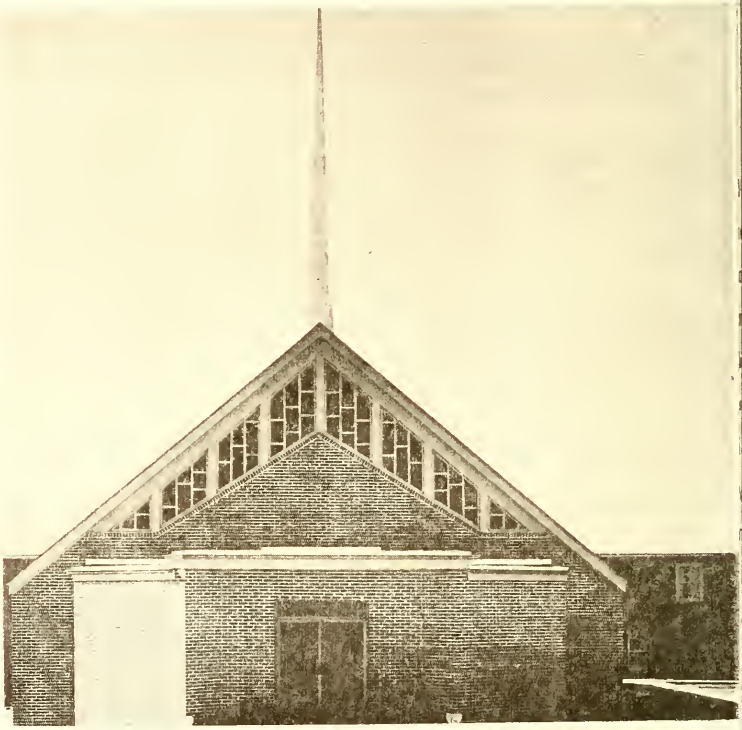

Sanctuary Dedication Service

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 1973

11:00 A. M.

REV. M. VANN MURRELL, Interim Pastor

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Shelby, North Carolina

DEDICATION SERVICE
March 4, 1973

rning Worship ..... 11:00 A.M.
nic Dinner ..... 12:30 P.M.
en House ..... 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

REV. VANN MURRELL, Interim Pastor

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

March 4, 1973

SERVICE OF DEDICATION

Morning Worship - 11:00 A.M.

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ral Call to Worship

ıcation ..... Rev. N. S. Hardin
nn - "The Church's One Foundation" ..... No. 380
come ..... Mr. Colon Hamrick
cial Music ..... Mrs. Tamara Valentine
pture ..... Rev. E. Eugene Passmore, Jr.
yer ..... Rev. Lewis E. Ludlum
ımary of the History of the Church ..... Mrs. Betty McIntyre

THE CEREMONY OF DEDICATION

Presentation of the Building to the Deacons

Colon Hamrick,

Chairman of the Building Committee

Acceptance of the Building

Buren Peeler
Assistant Chairman of the Deacons

vs of Dedication ..... Interim Pastor and Congregation
(Congregation Standing)

VOWS OF DEDICATION

Pastor: "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me bless His Holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."

Congregation: "O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God! and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand."

Pastor: Recognizing the blessings of God in the planning and constructing of our building, seeing clearly His hand in providing dedicated leadership and growing stewardship to enable us to follow our dream to a complete work of beauty.

Congregation: We now with hearts that overflow with joy and thanksgiving do solemnly dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the promotion of righteousness and justice; and the reconciling of men to God, and man to man; for the participation in the thrust of Christ's ministry to the ends of the earth.

Congregation: We dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the nurture of little children; for the training of our youth; for the moulding of lives into Christlike maturity.

Congregation: We dedicate this building.

Pastor: For the reading of the Scriptures, and the interpreting of the same with mind and heart; for the proclaiming of the redeeming love of God through the gospel of Jesus Christ; for the praying for God's will to be done through our lives.

Congregation: We dedicate this building.

tor: To the glory of God our Father, who is the source of all grace, Giver of every good gift; to the honor of our Lord and Saviour Je- Christ who loved the Church and gave Himself for her; to the praise the Holy Spirit who is our Comforter and Guide

ngregation: We dedicate this building and all things herein.

tor and Congregation: To Thee, our God, we now dedicate our- ves anew; to the worship, work and witness of the church; to the rifices which Christian discipleship requires. We offer Thee this lding, our lives, our possessions, and we now covenant together be- e Thee for the payment of the indebtedness that remains. We make s dedication of what we are and what we have in the name of the her, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

yer of Dedication ..... Rev. Roland Leath

mn - "Onward, Christian Soldiers" ..... No. 412

dication of the Tithes and Offerings ..... Rev. Joe Whitworth

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oir Special

ssage ..... Rev. Richard Spencer

mn - "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" ..... No. 382

ediction ..... Rev. Vann Murrell

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EN HOUSE

The church building will be open this afternoon from 2:00 P.M. il 4:00 P.M.

YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.

DEDICATORY HYMN

To Him who hallows all our days
Our souls in worship bend;
On joyful wing our songs of praise
And gratitude ascend;
This house we dedicate to Thee, O Lord,
This holy day;
And may its mission ever be
Thy glories to display.

A precious gem of Thy right hand,
A trophy of Thy grace,
Long may its walls in beauty stand,
For Thee a dwelling place;
And as the years shall come and go
On time's unresting wing,
May hearts of stone here learn to glow,
And of Thy mercies sing.

And by Thy Spirit's ministries,
May saints their joys renew,
And in the strength Thy grace supplies
Their heavenly race pursue:
And as the years shall come and go
On time's unresting wing,
Til tribes and tongues the world around
Shall praise Immanuel's name.

John L. Rosser

APPRECIATION.....

As we dedicate this sanctuary, let us remember that it is more than a building....IT IS THE HOUSE OF GOD! In the words of Nehemiah, let it be said: "So build we ... for the people had a mind to work."

We wish to express our appreciation to each person who contributed in any way, large or small, to make this building project a success.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Colon Hamrick, Chairman
Maynard Ledford
Gus McIntyre
Buren Peeler
J. R. Webber

DEACONS

Colon Hamrick, Chairman
Buren Peeler, Assistant
Keith Anthony
A. D. Holland
Claude Jones, Jr.
Gus McIntyre
Ed Passmore
Jerry Smith
J. R. Webber

HISTORY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
Mrs. Gus McIntyre
Mrs. J. R. Webber

HOSTESS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Jack Lane
Mrs. D. P. Smith, Jr.
Mrs. Gene Webber

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Miss Mary Peeler
Miss Lynn Webber
Mrs. Gene Webber

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

The New Sanctuary was completed the first of March, 1973 and the Dedication Service was held March 4, 1973.

The new Sanctuary cost approximately $87,000.00. From the time k first began about a new addition to the church until the Dedica- n Service was held, the church raised $52,000.00 and only had to rrow $35,000.00.

Construction of the Sanctuary was handled by Colon E. Hamrick nstruction and assisted by J.R. Webber (S & W Construction). Mr. ren Peeler looked after the electrical work in the Sanctuary. Mr. mrick, Mr. Webber and Mr. Peeler are all three members of Putnam morial Church.

So many have given their time, their talents and their offerings to ke the completion of this new Sanctuary possible that it would be possible to list everyone and that which they have contributed. Just it is impossible to list all who have contributed to the building of tnam Memorial Church from its very beginnings in a tent in the grove trees south of the present church building. While this is impossible us, we can be confident in the fact that God knows each one who had a part in any way in the establishing and building of Putnam morial Baptist Church.

Looking into the future, the pulpit committee can be seen con- ing prayerfully to seek God's guidance in finding a pastor for the gregation, while the Minister of Music committee prayerfully seeks usic director for the church.

Four are awaiting baptism in the new Baptistry in the new Sanc- y. They are:

(1) Tim Webber - Son of Mr. & Mrs. James B. Webber
(2) Lou Ann Webber - Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Gene Webber
(3) Bonnie Howard - Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Howard
(4) Kim Caroll - Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David Caroll

There is even talk already beginning about building a fellowship with a nice kitchen in it behind the educational plant of Putnam norial Church.

Rev. Lewis Ludlum, who was supply pastor when the church was being organized, said this about those first charter members organizing and building a church in this community. "One memory of my experiences with Putnam Memorial Church that has made a lasting impression on my life was the evident leadership of God in the project, and the strong sense of mission evident in the strong loyalty of a small group of people with a divine call to be used of God in establishing a church for their neighborhood."

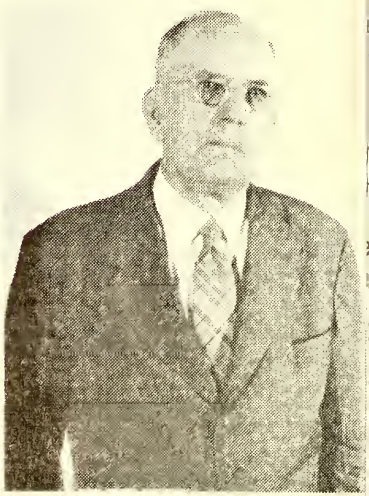
As time marches on and Putnam Memorial Church continues to make history, may the congregation seek through prayer to have a strong sense of mission that will be evident in their lives as they permit God to use them to reach the unchurched in this community for Him and for this, His Church.

". . . *Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.*"

John 4: 35b

Appendix

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
NAMED IN MEMORY OF THE REV. D. FRANK PUTNAM



REV. D. FRANK PUTNAM

Rev. D. Frank Putnam was the son of Samuel and Artie Hardin Putnam. He was born March 24, 1870 in Cleveland County on Cabiness Road and was the youngest of 12 children. He was a brother of S. Tilden Putnam, a deacon of Putnam Memorial Church.

Brother Putnam received his schooling at Wake Forest College. He was ordained to the full gospel ministry by his home church, the Zion Baptist Church in Cleveland County in 1897.

He married the former Miss Elizabeth Jane Spangler in 1896, and they were the parents of three girls, Vivian, Pearl and Lois.

During his period of efficient ministry for 50 years and more, he served 43 different Baptist churches in the state of North Carolina. He served eleven years on the N. C. State Mission Board.

Brother Putnam was a builder of churches from the very beginning of his ministry. He remodeled and completed more than 20 churches. In the last ten years of his work, he organized, financed and completed three new churches and was interested in others in the Kings Mountain Association. These new churches were David, organized 1938; Polkville, 1940 and Temple in Kings Mountain organized in 1945. He was outstanding as a builder, financier and a thorough worker in evangelistic and missionary effort.

On September 14, 1947 at the age of 77, Rev. D. F. Putnam passed away. He was able to continue at his task to the end, but for only a few days of illness, before his death.

At the time of his death, he was pastor of the Temple Baptist urch in Kings Mountain, N. C. The Sunday School building had en completed in 1946. Brother Putnam along with other members the church had materials on the ground and were to begin work on auditorium the day that he was stricken. Rev. Putnam was truly a eless and fearless worker of the Kingdom interest.

Having pastored and organized so many churches during his minis-, Rev. Lawrence Roberts felt that the members of Putnam Memorial urch could find no name more worthy than that of Frank Putnam name the church in honor of. Putnam Memorial Baptist Church in Kings Mountain Baptist Association is the only church named in moriam to Rev. D. Frank Putnam.

The article that appeared in the Shelby Daily Star announcing the organization of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, October 1949

HONOR MEMORY OF MINISTER

Name Of Putnam Memorialized By Baptist Church

The name of the late Rev. D. F. Putnam, for 50 years a minister, will be memoralized by a newly organized church in the Kings Mountain Baptist association.

The new church will be called Putnam Memorial Baptist church. The Sunday school has been organized for some time and services are being held regularly in a tent near the Shelby Sales barn between Shelby and Grover.

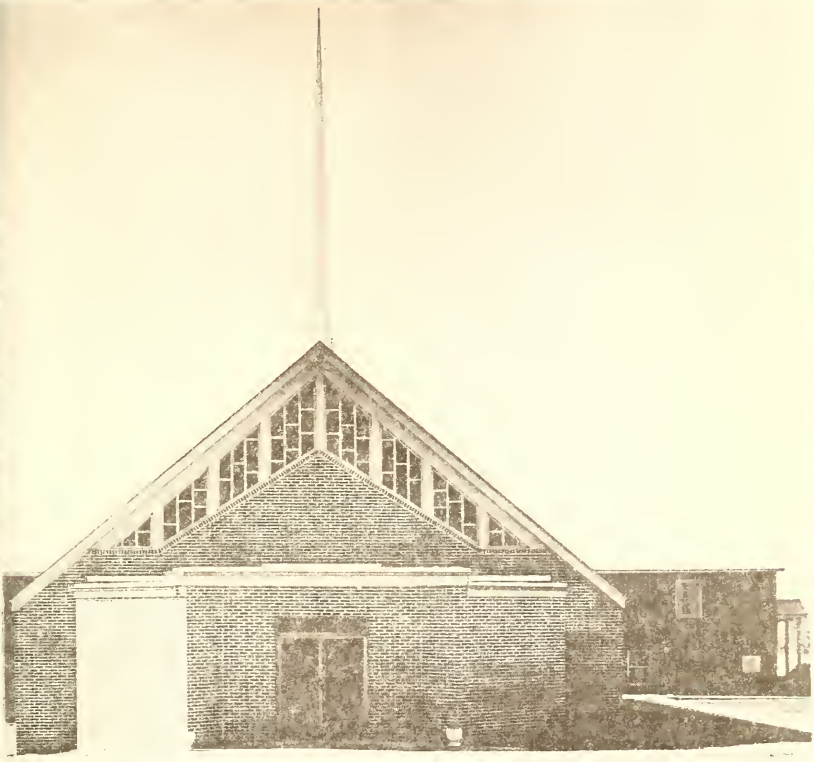
A new building committee has been named and is composed of: the Rev. T. W. Fogleman, J. R. Webber, the Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Leonard McSwain, the Rev. Lewis Ludlum and Claud Jones. The committee appointed to purchase a suitable lot for building is composed of the Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Mrs. Raymond Cline, Claud Jones and Leonard McSwain.

Enrolment in the Sunday school is 78. The membership decided on the name Sunday, choosing to honor the memory of a preacher who had devoted much time and energy to organizing and founding churches in this county. At the time of his death two years ago, Rev. Mr. Putnam was pastor of Temple Baptist church in Kings Mountain.

He had also served as pastor at Beaver Dam, David, Polkville, Ross Grove and Dover as well as churches in other counties. He founded Polkville, David and Temple churches. Sunday will be the second anniversary of his death.

During his half-century in the ministry Rev. Mr. Putnam served 43 different churches. In all he helped organize seven churches and assisted in a number of organizations when he was not pastor of the church.

This is the announcement of the Dedication Service for the New Sanctuary Putnam Memorial Baptist Church that appeared in the Church News of the elby Daily Star, Friday, March 2, 1973.



Putnam Memorial Baptist Church

Dedication Is Slated

(See rest of clipping on following page, please)

Putnam Memorial Baptist Church will observe the dedication of a new sanctuary at 11 a. m. Sunday.

The Putnam Memorial Baptist Church was organized Oct. 16, 1949, with 19 members present. The church was named Putnam Memorial in memory of the Rev. D. F. Putnam.

The first meeting place was in a tent in the grove south of the present building. The Rev. Lewis Ludlum was interim pastor. A lot was purchased from Roland Gantt and a temporary building was constructed in November of 1949 on that lot.

During the ministry of the Rev. Lawrence Roberts portable Sunday School rooms were added to the temporary building and the north end of the educational building was begun in July of 1951 and completed in June of 1952.

In September of 1957 the church began construction on the south end of the educational building during the ministry of the Rev. Joe T. Whitworth and finished it in February of 1958.

The church ordained the Rev. William P. Shytle to the Baptist ministry during the time that he served as interim pastor and also licensed one of its young men, Eugene Passmore, to preach.

While the Rev. Richard N. Spencer served as pastor of the congregation observed homecoming on its tenth anniversary, Oct. 11, 1959, and held a "note burning" service for the south end of th educational building on Nov. 6 1960. The church voted on Jan 14, 1962 to build a pastorium.

The church ordained Eugen Passmore for the Baptis ministry while Dr. Donald D Moore was serving as interin pastor.

During the ministry of th Rev. George W. Dowd con struction on the pastoriun began in May of 1963 and wa completed in December of 196 On Sept. 13, 1964, the churc voted to have open house.

While the Rev. E. S. Elliot served as interim pastor, th church was engaged in fun raising to liquidate the debt c the pastorium.

A note buring was held Marc 12, 1966, for the pastorium whil the Rev. Harold L. Threatt wa serving as pastor. Also on Oc 18, 1970, ground breakin ceremonies for a new sanctuar were held and constructio began.

Since Dr. M. Van Murrell ha been interim pastor, co struction on the sanctuary w completed the last of Februa 1973.

The church membership ha grown from 19 when it wa organized on Oct. 16, 1949 to 29 in 1973.

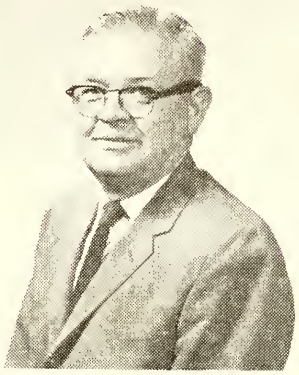
Sunday, a dedication servic for the new sanctuary will b held. This is also the firs worship service to be held in th new sanctuary.

Open house will be held from to 4 p. m. Sunday following th dedication.

This announcement was prepared for the paper by Miss Mary Peeler and M Betty Patterson McIntyre.

PASTORS AND INTERIM PASTORS
of
PUTNAM MEMORIAL CHURCH

REV. LEWIS E. LUDLUM



Lewis E. Ludlum was born October 3, 1908 in Shallotte, N.C. He attended Southport High School in Southport, N.C. He attended Wake Forest College and received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Crozer Theological Seminary.

He married the former Miss Charlotte Huntley in 1939 and they are the parents of two children, Wade Douglas and Rebecca Ann.

In addition to being interim pastor of Putnam Memorial Church from Oct. 23, 1949 until Nov. 28, 1949, Rev. Ludlum's ministry included being pastor of Beaver Dam Baptist Church in Asheville, N.C. from 1936 until 1942.

Rev. Ludlum also served as special appointee of the N.C. Baptist Convention as Defense and Military Ministry at Jacksonville, N.C. and Carolina Beach Baptist Church from 1942 until 1945.

He served as associational missionary for the Kings Mountain Baptist Association from 1945 until 1950.

Rev. Ludlum served as associational missionary for the Pilot Mountain Association from 1950 - 1972.

He retired January 1, 1973. However, his plans are to do some sup-

ply preaching and work on a volunteer basis in some of the missio action projects Baptist have developed in recent years in Winston Salem, N.C.

Having been closely associated with the members of Putnam M morial Church since the revival meeting in the tent before the churc was organized, Rev. Ludlum helped to organize the church. Eve though he had a heavy schedule serving as Kings Mountain Bapti Associational missionary, he agreed to serve as supply pastor of Pu nam Memorial until a pastor could be called. During this time, th first morning services were held on Oct. 30, 1949, still meeting in th tent. Before this, services had been held in the afternoon. On Nov. 1949, the members voted to begin immediate construction on a ten porary church building and it was completed within a month. O Nov. 20, 1949, the church secured assistance from the Baptist Sta Convention for pastoral support in the amount of $40.00 per mont elected the first church trustees and elected the first pulpit committe On Nov. 28, 1949, the church adopted its first budget.

REV. LAWRENCE ROBERTS

Lawrence Roberts was born July 10, 1897 in the Elizabeth Community in Shelby, N.C. He joined the church at age eleven. In 1921, he was ordained a deacon at Elizabeth Church. In July of 1923, he was licensed to preach and on Sunday, May 3, 1925, he was ordained for the Baptist Ministry at Elizabeth Baptist Church.

He attended school at Boiling Springs and Mars Hill. He received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Furman University and the Master of Theology degree from the Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

He married the former Miss Clevie Branton, and they are the parents of three children, John B., Evelyn and Margaret.

Rev. Roberts served as pastor of three churches in South Carolina, two in Texas, one in the Gaston Association and eight in the Kings Mountain Baptist Association. Along with pastoring these churches, he also served for 17 years as both clerk and treasurer of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, ten years as secretary of the Baptist Pastor's Conference and also as secretary for the Greater Shelby Ministerial Conference.

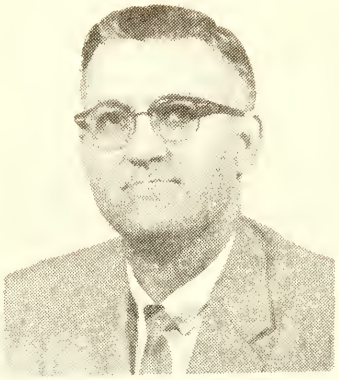
Rev. Roberts was called as the first pastor of Putnam Memorial Church on November 28, 1949 and preached his first sermon as pastor December 4. He served from 1949 until Feb. 16, 1955. He had also been closely associated with the members of Putnam Memorial since the earliest beginning in the tent.

During his ministry, the Training Union was organized, a portable building was added to the temporary church building for additional Sunday School space, the Woman's Missionary Union was organized as well as Sunbeams, Royal Ambassadors and Girl's Auxiliary, the first deacons of the church were ordained, an educational plant was begun in October of 1951 and finished in June of 1952, a new piano was purchased and open house for the new educational plant was held August 25, 1952. Also, the temporary church building and the portable Sunday School rooms were sold September 7, 1952. During these years, the church went from a part-time to a full-time program of work.

There were nineteen members the first year of Rev. Roberts' ministry at Putnam Memorial and ninety-one at the close of his work.

Rev. Lawrence Roberts passed away December 19, 1965 after an illness of six weeks. Funeral services were conducted at Elizabeth Baptist Church and burial was in the church cemetery.

REV. JOE T. WHITWORTH



Joe T. Whitworth was born May 12, 1922 in Lavonia, Georgia. He married the former Miss Elizabeth Hollingsworth and they have four children, Bonnie, Francine, Kathy and Danny Joe.

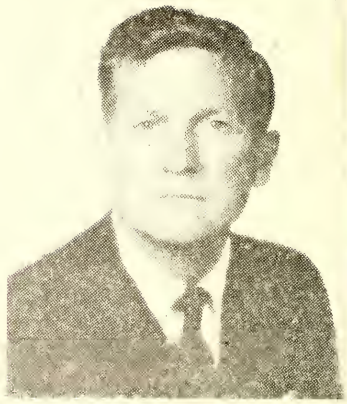
Rev. Whitworth attended Fruitland Bible Institute and the School of Pastoral Care at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital.

In addition to his ministry at Putnam Memorial Church, Rev. Whitworth has served as pastor of the following churches: Shiloah in Seneca, S. C., Double Springs in Mountain Rest, S. C., Kings Creek in Lenoir, N. C., Oak Dale and Bristol Drive in Statesville, N. C., Second Baptist in Cherryville and Fraly Memorial in Gastonia. He is now pastor of New Buffalo Baptist Church in Grover.

Rev. Whitworth was called as pastor of Putnam Memorial on June 8, 1955 and served until Feb. 23, 1958. During his ministry, the congregation sponsored a radio program with the pastor preaching and the choir singing, elected Mr. B.V. McIntyre and Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr. honorary deacons for as long as they lived, held a ground breaking ceremony on August 25, 1957 for an addition to the south end of the educational plant and began construction, purchased 250 folding chairs for the new addition to the church, elected Mr. Frank Greene as church custodian and completed construction on the new addition in January of 1958.

There were 91 members at the beginning of his ministry at Putnam Memorial and 151 at the close of his work here.

REV. WILLIAM P. SHYTLE



William (Bill) Shytle was born November 13, 1930 in Shelby, N. C. He married the former Miss Jessie Mace, and they have two daughters, Teresa and Sharon.

He received his education at Shelby High School, Gardner-Webb College, the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest and Limestone College.

Rev. Shytle was interim pastor of Putnam Memorial Church from February 9, 1958 until August 3, 1958. He has been pastor of Allen Memorial Baptist Church at Grover and Mount Hefron Baptist Church at Connelly Springs both in North Carolina. At the present time, he is pastor of the White Street Baptist Church in Rock Hill, South Carolina.

On Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m., March 23, 1958, Putnam Memorial Baptist Church ordained William P. Shytle for the Baptist ministry. Rev. T.W. Bray presented a devotional based on I Timothy: Chapter 3. The congregation sang "Breathe on Me." Rev. J. R. Howe led in prayer. Rev. E.B. Hicks delivered a message that was a "charge to candidate and church." Rev. T. W. Bray presented a Bible to Rev. Shytle followed by Rev. N.S. Hardin leading in prayer. There was a traditional "laying on of hands" by all the pastors and the deacons who were present symbolically establishing Rev. William P. Shytle to his new office. Then, the congregation sang "Wherever He Leads, I'll Go" and Rev. William P. Shytle gave the closing benediction.

During his ministry at Putnam Memorial Church, the congregation had a telephone installed in the pastor's study in the church on April 2, 1958 and licensed one of its young men, Eugene Passmore, to preach on August 17, 1958.

REV. RICHARD N. SPENCER

Richard N. Spencer was born November 7, 1925 at Bessemer City N.C. He attended the city school system in Gastonia, N.C. He received his Associate of Arts degree at Gardner-Webb College, his Bachelor of Arts degree from Limestone College at Gaffney, S.C., and his Bachelor of Divinity from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

He served in the United States Army during World War II in the American and European theatre of operations.

Mr. Spencer married the former Miss Ellese Ford, and they have two children, Rebecca Joan and Christopher Mark. Chris was born while Rev. Spencer was pastor of Putnam Memorial Church.

While a student at Gardner-Webb College and Limestone College, Rev. Spencer was pastor of Putnam Memorial Church for four years. While at the seminary, he served for four months as counselor at the Children's Center in Louisville, Kentucky and for three years from 1962-65 as pastor of the Indian Creek Baptist Church in Georgetown, Indiana. He has been pastor of the Caroleen Baptist Church in N.C. since 1965. In addition to his pastorates, he has served as president of the Rutherford County Ministerial Association and program chairman for the Sandy Run Baptist Association.

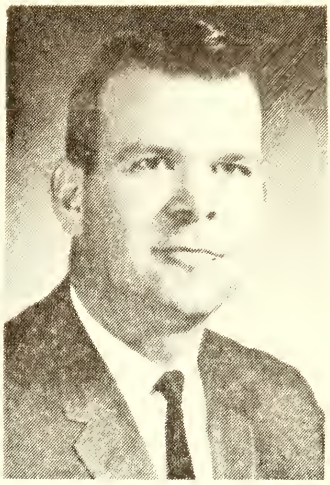
Putnam Memorial Baptist Church called Rev. Spencer as pastor August 17, 1958 and he preached his first sermon on Sunday, Sept. 7.

During his ministry at Putnam Memorial, the church observed "Homecoming" on its tenth anniversary, Oct. 11, 1959. A "note burning" service for the south end of the educational plant was held

Nov. 6, 1960 and at that time, the members voted to begin a building fund. Miss Tamara Cornwell was hired as Music Director on Nov. 13, 1960. The first G.A. Coronation was held Sept. 10, 1961 and on Jan. 14, 1962, the congregation voted to build a parsonage.

There were 149 members of Putnam Memorial Church when Rev. Spencer began his ministry and 211 members when he resigned on July 15, 1962 to resume his schooling.

R. DONALD D. MOORE



Donald D. Moore was born February 14, 1933, in Thomasville, N.C. He married the former Miss Marjorie Jean Walker on March 18, 1954, and they have three children Lori Michele, Jonathan Douglas and David Michael.

In 1956, he received his Bachelor of Science degree from Davidson College, in 1959, his Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary; in 1964, his Master of Arts degree from Appalachian State University and in 1966, his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of North Carolina.

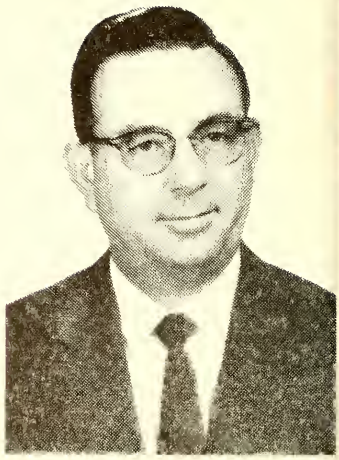
Dr. Moore has also done additional studies at the North Carolina Baptist Hospital in Pastoral Counseling and at Yale University Summer School of Alcohol Studies.

In addition to being interim pastor of Putnam Memorial Church from August 26, 1962 through April 7, 1963, his ministry includes being pastor of Temple Baptist Mission in Gastonia for a year and Park Place Baptist Church in Thomasville, N. C. for six years.

In 1962 through 1964, Dr. Moore was Director of Counseling and Instructor in Psychology at Gardner-Webb College. Since 1965, he has been Director of Counseling and Associate Professor of Pastoral Care at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C.

During his ministry at Putnam Memorial Church, Dr. Moore delivered the sermon at the ordination service for the Baptist ministry of one of the young men of the church, Eugene Passmore, on Feb. 10, 1963.

REV. GEORGE W. DOWD



George W. Dowd was born in Montgomery, Alabama on July 11, 1918. He attended the public schools of Montgomery and Howard College in Birmingham, Alabama. He also attended for six summers the Pastor's Schools sponsored by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention and taught by professors and ministers, graduates of Southern and Southeastern Seminaries. He also had Seminary Extension Courses in New Testament, Christian Theology and Bible Doctrines.

On Sept. 10, 1939, he married the former Miss Mary Genevieve Wolfe and they have two children, Georgette and Clyde.

Rev. Dowd was licensed to preach on August 3, 1938 by the Clayton Street Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama and on September 7, 1942, he was ordained for the Baptist ministry in the same church.

From 1942 until 1948 in Pender and Brunswick Counties in North Carolina, Rev. Dowd was pastor of half-time churches.

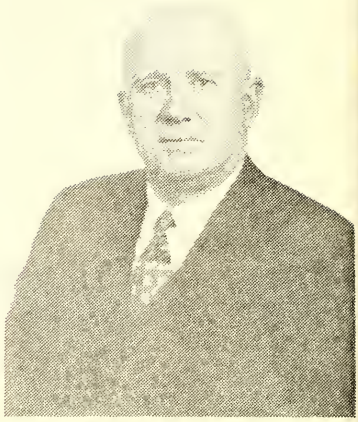
In addition to Putnam Memorial, he was pastor of the following full-time churches all in North Carolina: Long Leaf Park in Wilmington, New Hope in Whiteville, Trinity in Trinity and Willard in Willard. He was pastor of Bio Baptist Church in Hartwell, Georgia and is presently pastor of Martin Baptist Church in Martin, Georgia.

On March 24, 1963, Putnam Memorial Church voted to call Rev. Dowd and on April 14, 1963, he preached his first message as pastor. Among other things accomplished during his ministry was the congregation voting on May 19, 1963 for the final plans for a pastorium on

vhich construction began very soon, having the records of the church nicrofilmed by the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, setting aside very fifth Sunday night service as sing night, painting the outside of he church, putting a new roof on the church, completing construction in the parsonage in December of 1963, and voting to have open house in Sept. 13, 1964.

There were 221 members when Rev. Dowd began his ministry at utnam Memorial Church and 232 at the close of his work on March 4, 1965.

REV. E. S. ELLIOTT



Rev. Elliott is a graduate of Wake Forest University in North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

While at Wake Forest and at the Southern Baptist Seminary, he served as student pastor.

He served as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Paris, Arkansas for 10½ years, of the First Baptist Church in Cherryville for over 13 years and of Troutman Baptist Church in Troutman, N.C. for 4 years.

He retired in 1959 and moved to Shelby. He has been interim pastor for several churches in Cleveland and Gaston Counties. He is presently a member at Elizabeth Baptist Church where he teaches the men's Bible class in Sunday School.

Putnam Memorial called him as interim pastor April 4, 1965, and he served until Feb. 6, 1966. During this time, the church was busy trying to liquidate the debt on the parsonage and the W.M.U. women were busy getting shrubbery planted around the parsonage.

EV. HAROLD L. THREATT

Harold L. Threatt was born in rshaw, South Carolina on Septber 11, 1930. He married the mer Miss Carolyn Walding, and ey have four children, Greg, Beth, ren and Brad. Both Karen and ad were born while Rev. Threatt s pastor of Putnam Memorial urch.

He was ordained to the Bapt ministry January 5, 1958 by the First Baptist Church in Kershaw, uth Carolina.

Rev. Threatt attended Heath Springs High School in Heath Springs, uth Carolina. He received his Associate of Arts degree from North eenville Junior College, his Bachelor of Arts degree from Furman iversity and his Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Southwestern ptist Theological Seminary.

For fifteen months, Rev. Threatt was interim pastor of Heath rings Baptist Church in Heath Springs, South Carolina. He served pastor of Oakland Baptist Church in Canton, Texas for eight years. served as pastor of Putnam Memorial Church from February 13, 66 until May 28, 1972. He is now pastor of Woodlawn Baptist urch in Conover, North Carolina.

During his pastorate at Putnam Memorial Church, the congregan held a "note burning "on March 12, 1966 for the new parsonage, nsored a Junior and a Senior Fellowship, had a church directory nted, set aside the second Sunday night of each month as sing night, led Mrs. Stephen Morrisett on April 19, 1970 as Minister of Music. en she resigned from this position, Dr. Phil Perrin was called May 1971. During this time, a historical committee was elected to write history of Putnam Memorial Church. A ground breaking ceremony

was held on Oct. 18, 1970 for the new Sanctuary and construction began. The church also voted to air condition the new Sanctuary.

There were 232 members of Putnam Memorial Church when Rev. Threatt began his ministry here and 308 at the close of his work.

R. M. VANN MURRELL

Vann Murrell was born March , 1929 in Jacksonville, N.C. e married the former Miss Ina esham in 1951 and they have ur children, Anita Joyce, Zack nest, Helen Louise and Robert niel.

He was ordained for the Bapt ministry in 1950.

He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Wake Forest College, s Bachelor of Divinity degree from the Southeastern Baptist Theologi l Seminary. He earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the U versity of Edenburgh, Scotland and did other graduate work at the uthern Baptist Theological Seminary at Duke University and at the niversity of Heidelburg in Germany.

Dr. Murrell was student assistant pastor at the First Baptist Church Wilson, North Carolina. While at the Southeastern Baptist Theologi l Seminary, he was pastor of four rural churches. He was supply pas r at many churches while at the University of Edinburgh in Scot nd. He has been interim pastor at Buffalo, Mount Pleasant, Latti ore, Mount Sinai and other churches including Putnam Memorial nere he has been interim pastor since August 6, 1972.

He is now chairman of the Department of Religious Studies at rdner-Webb College in addition to his ministry at Putnam Memorial urch.

Since Dr. Murrell began his ministry at Putnam Memorial the con egation has accomplished the following things: hiring Mrs. David llon as secretary, painting the parsonage both on the inside and on e outside, buying a new organ and a new piano for the new Sanctu-

ary, paving the parking lots, sidewalks and driveway around the church, buying 25 new choir robes, buying 200 new Baptist hymnals, voted to have 150 copies printed of the church history and holding a dedication service for the new Sanctuary on March 4, 1973.

REV. E. EUGENE PASSMORE

MEMBER
LICENSED and ORDAINED
by
PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Eugene Passmore was born October 3, 1940 in Valdese, N. C. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Passmore, charter members of Putnam Memorial Church. At the age of ten, Eugene accepted Christ as his Saviour and joined Putnam Memorial Church as a candidate for baptism during a revival September 10-17, 1950. Rev. E.F. Baker was the guest evangelist. There being no baptistry in the church, the pastor, Rev. Lawrence Roberts, baptized Eugene in Joe Beam's Lake on Sept. 24, 1950.

On August 17, 1958, Rev. William P. Shytle recommended that the church license Eugene Passmore to preach and the congregation joyously did so.

On Feb. 10, 1963, Putnam Memorial Church ordained Eugene for the Baptist ministry. The ordination sermon was delivered by Dr. Donald D. Moore, interim pastor. Former pastor, Rev. Lawrence Roberts, who had baptized Eugene, led in the ordination prayer. Following the sermon, all the ordained pastors and deacons who were present participated in the traditional "laying on of hands" which symbolically establishes an ordained person to his new office. Then, the chairman of the board of deacons, Mr. Colon Hamrick, presented Rev. Eugene Passmore with a new Bible and a Certificate of Ordination.

Rev. Passmore graduated from No. 3 High School and Gardner-Webb College. He continued his education at Limestone College in Gaffney and at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest.

He married the former Miss Frances Harrison, December 18, 1960. They have three daughters, Lora Frances, Eugenia Ann and Theresa Lynn.

Rev. Passmore has served as pastor of Peach Street Baptist Church in Shelby, N.C. and Second Baptist Church in Henderson, N. C. His present ministry is with Sunnyside Baptist Church in Bessemer City, N. C.

Salaried Positions in Putnam Memorial Church other than Pastor.

Minister of Music

1. November 13, 1960 - The church voted to call Miss Tamera Cornwell on a 30 day trial basis. She did not remain after the 30 day period was up.

2. On April 19, 1970 - The congregation called Mrs. Stephen Morrisett of Boiling Springs as part-time Minister of Music on a six month trial basis. She resigned on November 8, 1970.

3. On May 9, 1971 - The members voted to call Dr. Phil Perrin, Music Professor at Gardner-Webb College, as Minister of Music at a salary of $50.00 weekly. He resigned to be effective February 20, 1972.

Custodians

The women of the church did the cleaning in the beginning. Then the members voted to hire someone to clean the church.

1. In 1955, the church hired a 15 year old boy, Eugene Passmore, as custodian for $10.00 a month.

2. On August 18, 1957 the church hired Mr. Frank Greene, voting on March 19, 1958 to pay him $40.00 per month. On February 15, 1965 he was raised $5.00 per month. He was given another $5.00 per month raise on October 5, 1966. At the time of his death on October 1, 1968 he was receiving $60.00 per month.

3. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynn were hired as custodians the last of September, 1968 for $60.00 per month. They later received a $5.00 per month raise. They are serving in this position at the present time and will receive a salary increase of $10.00 per week to cover the cleaning of the new Sanctuary.

Secretary

On September 11, 1972, the church hired it's first secretary, Mrs. David Mellon for $35.00 per week.

Mrs. David Mellon,

elected church secretary, Sept. 11, 19

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Lynn have been the custodians of Putnam Memorial Church since September of 1968.

The Following is a List of

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
CHARTER MEMBERS

r. Jack Lane	10/16/1949	by letter - Eastside Baptist, Shelby
rs. Jack Lane	10/16/1949	same
r. Howard Strickland	10/9/1949	by letter - Second Baptist, Shelby
rs. Howard Strickland	10/9/1949	same
arvin Strickland	10/9/1949	same
mes Strickland	10/9/1949	same
r. Leonard McSwain	10/12/1949	by letter - Bethel Baptist, Shelby
iss Carolyn McSwain	10/12/1949	same
r. James R. Webber	10/16/1949	by letter - Buffalo Baptist, Blacksburg
rs. James R. Webber	10/16/1949	same
iss Janis Webber	10/16/1949	same
mes B. Webber	10/16/1949	by Baptism
r. Edgar Passmore	10/26/1949	by letter - Valdese Baptist, Valdese
rs. Edgar Passmore	10/12/1949	by letter - Bethel Baptist, Shelby
rs. V. B. Crawford	10/26/1949	by letter - First Baptist, Shelby
r. Robert Brown	10/26/1949	by letter - Central Baptist, Americus, Ga.
rs. Fennel Patterson	10/16/1949	by Baptism
r. Roscoe Patterson	10/16/1949	by Baptism
ss Faye Patterson	10/30/1949	by Baptism
r. Claude Jones, Sr.	10/16/1949	By Baptism - Presbyterian
r. Claude Jones, Jr.	10/16/1949	by Baptism
rs. Claude Jones, Jr.	10/9/1949	by Statement - Pleasant Grove
iss Mary Catherine Jones	10/30/1949	by Baptism
r. Garland Clary	10/9/1949	by Statement - Presbyterian
ss Helen Swink	10/30/1949	by Baptism
r. Colon Hamrick	11/4/1949	by letter - Zoar Baptist, Shelby
rs. Colon Hamrick	11/4/1949	same
r. Pink Shytles	11/26/1949	by letter - Calvary Baptist, Shelby
rs. Leonard McSwain	10/28/1949	by letter - Bethel Baptist, Shelby

PUTNAM MEMORIAL CHURCH
DEACONS 1949 - 1971

	NAME	ELECTED	ORDAINED	PERSON(S) OFFICIATING
1.	C. A. Jones, Sr.	Sept. 24, 1950	Nov. 22, 1950	Rev. Cannon, Rev. Hugh Harriel, Rev. Digh and Rev. Lawrence Roberts
2.	Howard Strickland	Sept. 24, 1950	Nov. 22, 1950	
3.	Leonard McSwain	Sept. 24, 1950	Nov. 22, 1950	
4.	S. T. Putnam	Sept. 24, 1950	Nov. 22, 1950	
5.	J. R. Webber	Oct. 7, 1951	Nov. 17, 1951	Rev. Harlan Harris
6.	Colon Hamrick	Oct. 7, 1951	Nov. 17, 1951	Rev. Harlan Harris
7.	B. V. McIntyre	Oct. 7, 1951	Nov. 17, 1951	Rev. Harlan Harris
8.	Z. V. Cline	Dec. 14, 1952	Jan. 4, 1953	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
9.	Garland Clary	Nov. 2, 1953	Nov. 9, 1953	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
10.	Gus McIntyre	Nov. 2, 1953	Nov. 9, 1953	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
11.	H. K. Roberts	Nov. 2, 1953	Nov. 9, 1953	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
12.	Claude Jones, Jr.	Jan. 16, 1955	Feb. 6, 1955	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
13.	C. B. Clary	Jan. 16, 1955	Feb. 6, 1955	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
14.	Edgar E. Passmore	Jan. 16, 1955	Feb. 6, 1955	Rev. Lawrence Roberts & Rev. Bray
15.	Howard Clary	Sept. 1955	Oct. 1955	Rev. Joe T. Whitworth
16.	Joe Bolin	Sept. 23, 1956	Oct. 1956	Rev. Joe T. Whitworth
17.	Jack Lane	Sept. 23, 1956	Oct. 1956	Rev. Joe T. Whitworth
18.	Wilson Biggerstaff	Oct. 5, 1958	Oct. 19, 1958	Rev. Richard N. Spencer
19.	Buren Peeler	Sept. 6, 1959	1948	Ordained at Abingdon Creek Baptist Church

21.	Willie Pruitt	Oct. 7, 1962	1954	Ordained at Flint Hill Baptist Church
22.	A. D. Holland	Sept. 15, 1963	Sept. 22, 1963	Rev. George W. Dowd
23.	Bob Blanton	Aug. 16, 1964	Sept. 6, 1964	Rev. William P. Shytle & Rev. George W. Dowd
24.	Gene Webber	Aug. 29, 1965	Sept. 26, 1965	Rev. E. S. Elliott
25.	Roscoe Patterson	Sept. 22, 1968	Nov. 3, 1968	Rev. Harold Threatt
26.	Wayne Bryson	Sept. 14, 1969	Sept. 28, 1969	Rev. Harold Threatt
27.	Maynard Ledford	Sept. 14, 1969	Sept. 28, 1969	Rev. Harold Threatt
28.	Jerry Smith	Oct. 11, 1970		Ordained at New Buffalo Baptist Church
29.	Keith Anthony	Sept. 19, 1971	Oct. 20, 1971	Rev. Harold Threatt

PUTNAM MEMORIAL CHURCH

CHAIRMAN OF DEACONS

1.	Claude Jones, Sr.	1951
2.	Claude Jones, Sr.	1952
3.	Claude Jones, Sr.	1953
4.	Claude Jones, Sr.	1954
5.	B. V. McIntyre	1955
6.	Howard Strickland	1956
7.	Colon Hamrick	1957
8.	Colon Hamrick	1958
9.	Wilson Biggerstaff	1959
10.	Colon Hamrick	1960
11.	Colon Hamrick	1961
12.	Colon Hamrick	1962
13.	Buren Peeler	1963
14.	Colon Hamrick	1964
15.	Colon Hamrick	1965
16.	Colon Hamrick	1966
17.	Buren Peeler	1967
18.	Colon Hamrick	1968
19.	Colon Hamrick	1969
20.	Colon Hamrick	1970
21.	Buren Peeler	1971
22.	Colon Hamrick	1972

TREASURERS

The treasurers who have faithfully kept the records of the receipts and expenditures of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church are listed below:

Year	Treasurer
1949	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1950	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1951	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1952	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1953	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1954	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1955	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1956	Gus McIntyre
1957	Gus McIntyre
1958	Gus McIntyre
1959	Gus McIntyre
1960	Gus McIntyre
1961	Gus McIntyre
1962	Gus McIntyre
1963	Gus McIntyre
1964	Mrs. Charles M. Roberts
1965	Mrs. Charles M. Roberts
1966	Mrs. Charles M. Roberts
1967	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1968	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1969	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1970	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1971	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1972	Mrs. David Mellon

BUILDING FUND TREASURERS

June 8, 1966	Mrs. Colon Hamrick
October 11, 1970	Maynard Ledford

PUTNAM MEMORIAL CHURCH TRUSTEES

On November 20, 1949, the church elected these trustees for th lot: J. R. Webber, Howard Strickland and Leonard McSwain.

On March 23, 1952, the church elected two new trustees; one o these was to replace Leonard McSwain who was no longer a member o Putnam Memorial Church, and the other one was to make four trustee The two new trustees were Claude Jones, Sr. and Colon Hamrick t serve with J. R. Webber and Howard Strickland.

On January 8, 1961, the church voted to install two new trustee Z. V. Cline, Jr. and Joe Bolin , to serve with Colon Hamrick, J. R. Wel ber and Claude Jones, Sr.

March, 1973 - The trustees remain:

Z. V. Cline, Jr.
Joe Bolin
Colon Hamrick
J. R. Webber
(Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. is now deceased).

CLERKS

The following is a list of the clerks in Putnam Memorial Church who have faithfully kept the records through the years:

Year	Clerk
1949	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1950	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1951	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1952	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1953	B. V. McIntyre
1954	B. V. McIntyre
1955	Claude Jones, Jr.
1956	Claude Jones, Jr.
1957	Claude Jones, Jr.
1958	Claude Jones, Jr.
1959	Mrs. Joe Bolin
1960	Mrs. Joe Bolin
1961	Mrs. Joe Bolin
1962	Mrs. Joe Bolin
1963	Mrs. Joe Bolin
1964	Mrs. Bill Hudson
1965	Mrs. Bill Hudson
1966	Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
1967	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1968	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1969	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1970	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1971	Mrs. J. R. Webber
1972	Mrs. David Mellon

SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE CHURCH

1. Committee to find a lot on which to build the church- July 31, 1949 - Rev. Lawrence Roberts, Claude Jones, Sr., Leonard McSwain, and Mrs. Raymond Cline.

2. Building Committees
   1. August 28, 1949 - To get lumber for the building - Claude Jones, Sr. and Rev. Lawrence Roberts
   2. August 28, 1949 - To see about construction - Rev. T. W. Fogleman and J. R. Webber
   3. October 7, 1951 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, J. R. Webber, Claude Jones, Sr. and Howard Strickland
   4. Wednesday, August 31, 1955 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, J.R. Webber and Gus McIntyre
   5. December 11, 1960 - Colon Hamrick, J. R. Webber, Gus McIntyre, Z. V. Cline, Jr. and Wilson Biggerstaff.
   6. September, 1966 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, J. R. Webber, Gus McIntyre, Maynard Ledford and Buren Peeler.

3. Building Fund Promotion Committee
   1. September 10, 1967 - Colon Hamrick, Roscoe Patterson, Mrs. Gene Webber, Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. and Maynard Ledford were elected by the church to serve on this committee.
   2. November 5, 1967 - Held first meeting and Roscoe Patterson was elected chairman and Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. was elected secretary.

4. Pulpit Committees
   1. November 20, 1949 - Howard Strickland, J. R. Webber, replaced Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
   2. April 24, 1955 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, H. K. Roberts, Howard Strickland, Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

3. February 9, 1958 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, Claude Jones, Jr., Gus McIntyre, Garland Clary and Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr

4. July 22, 1962 - Colon Hamrick, Gus McIntyre, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. and A. O. Pribble

5. March 21, 1965 - Colon Hamrick, A. O. Pribble, Buren Peeler, Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Joe Bolin

6. April 30, 1972 - Colon Hamrick, Maynard Ledford, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Jack Lane, Edgar Passmore and alternates Mrs. D. P. Smith, Jr. and Jerry Smith.

. Historical Committee

August 3, 1969 - Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Chairman, Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

. Minister of Music Committee

February, 1972 - Colon Hamrick, Chairman, Edgar Passmore, Mrs. David Mellon, and Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr.

Messengers from Putnam Memorial Baptist Church attending the Kings Mountain Baptist Associational meetings each year. The pastors of the church are always messengers.

Date Elected by the Church	Messengers
October 16, 1949 -	Mrs. Howard Strickland, Mrs. J. R. Webber and Leonard McSwain
September 24, 1950 -	Claude Jones, Sr., J. R. Webber, Howard Strickland and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts
September 30, 1951 -	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Claude Jones, Sr. and Edgar Passmore
September, 1952 -	Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. and Rev. Lawrence Roberts
September 27, 1953 -	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, Mrs. J. R. Webber, B. V. McIntyre and alternate, Claude Jones, Jr.
September 26, 1954 -	B. V. McIntyre, Colon Hamrick, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. and alternate, Mrs. J. R. Webber
September, 1955 -	B. V. McIntyre, Mrs. Gus McIntyre and Mrs. Edgar Passmore
September 30, 1956 -	Colon Hamrick, Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr., B. V McIntyre and alternate, Mrs. Claude Jones Jr.
September 22, 1957 -	Mr. & Mrs. B. V. McIntyre, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Edgar Passmore and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
September 28, 1958 -	Mr. & Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., B. V. McIntyre and Mrs. J. R. Webber

September, 1959 -	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mrs. Wilson Biggerstaff, Mrs. Richard Spencer and alternate, Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
October 2, 1960 -	Rev. & Mrs. Richard Spencer, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mrs. Manning Honeycutt, B. V. McIntyre and Mrs. Joe Bolin
October 1, 1961 -	Mr. & Mrs. B. V. McIntyre, Mrs. Manning Honeycutt, Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. Richard Spencer and alternates, Mrs. Edgar Passmore and Mrs. Roy Pruitt
October 7, 1962 -	Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Jack Lane, B. V. McIntyre and Dr. Donald Moore
September 6, 1963 -	Mrs. Manning Honeycutt, Mrs. A. D. Holland, B. V. McIntyre and alternates, Mrs. Edgar Passmore and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.,
October 4, 1964 -	Mrs. George Dowd, Mrs. J. P. Simpson, Mrs. Howard Strickland and alternates, Mrs. Fred Lynn and Mrs. J. R. Webber
September 26, 1965 -	Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. Jack Lane, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Gene Webber, Mrs. A. D. Holland and Mrs. Manning Honeycutt
October 5, 1966 -	Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Mrs. Jack Lane and alternate Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

September 6, 1967 -	Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Mrs. Jack Lane and alternates, Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
September, 1968 -	Mrs. Harold Threatt, Mrs. Jack Lane, Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Roy Howard, Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Miss Judy Mode
October 5, 1969 -	Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., Jerry Lankford, Edgar Passmore, Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Maynard Ledford
October, 1970 -	Rev. Harold Threatt, Edgar Passmore
September 26, 1971 -	Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Fred Lynn, Mrs. Colon Hamrick and Mrs. Jack Lane
October 8, 1972 -	Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Jack Lane, Mrs Claude Jones, Jr. and alternates, Mrs. Color Hamrick and Mrs. Fred Lynn

GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS

During the year, the General Board of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association meets regularly to promote the kingdom work among the churches.

The following are a list of the members who have represented Putnam Memorial Church at these General Board meetings through the years:

Year	Members
1949	Leonard McSwain and Mrs. Howard Strickland
1950	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1951	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and Mrs. Fred Lynn
1952	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and Mrs. Fred Lynn
1953	Edgar Passmore and B. V. McIntyre
1954	Edgar Passmore and B. V. McIntyre
1955	Edgar Passmore and B. V. McIntyre
1956	B. V. McIntyre and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1957	Mrs. Jay Ward and Mrs. Joe T. Whitworth
1958	Mrs. J. R. Webber, Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. and B. V. McIntyre
1959	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1960	Mrs. Edgar Passmore and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1961	Mrs. Edgar Passmore and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1962	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Colon Hamrick
1963	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Fred Lynn
1964	Mrs. Fred Lynn and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1965	Mrs. Fred Lynn and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1966	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Jack Lane
1967	Mrs. Jack Lane and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1968	Mrs. Jack Lane and Mrs. J. R. Webber
1969	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1970	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1971	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1972	Mrs. J. R. Webber and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

"But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit." I Corinthians 6:17

The following is a chart showing the Pastors of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church from 1949-1972, the years they served, those received into the fellowship of the church each year, total membership each year, the number of revivals held and the number of tithers each year.

Year	Pastor	Baptisms	Letters	Loss by Death or by Transfer	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Res. Members	Grand Total Present Memb.	Revivals held	Number of Tithers
1949	Lewis E. Ludlum (Supply)	5	14	0	19	0	19	1	7
1950	Lawrence Roberts	18	23	4	56	0	56	2	20
1951	Lawrence Roberts	3	7	3	60	3	63	1	20
1952	Lawrence Roberts	5	12	2	70	10	80	1	25
1953	Lawrence Roberts	2	4	1	66	19	85	1	19
1954	Lawrence Roberts	8	2	3	91	0	91	2	15
1955	Joe T. Whitworth	11	3	2	93	0	93	2	27
1956	Joe T. Whitworth	15	15	3	105	22	127	1	22
1957	Joe T. Whitworth	17	23	4	129	22	151	2	73
1958	Richard N. Spencer	3	9	8	122	27	149	1	35
1959	Richard N. Spencer	6	26	4	143	34	177	2	35
1960	Richard N. Spencer	10	9	4	157	27	184	2	32
1961	Richard N. Spencer	17	12	8	182	29	211	2	62
1962	Donald Moore	3	9	12	182	30	212	1	62

1964	George W. Dowd	11	10	8	202	30	232	2	65
1965	E. S. Elliott (Interim)	0	0	13	170	30	200	1	65
1966	Harold L. Threatt	15	8	9	209	23	232	1	40
1967	Harold L. Threatt	12	16	2	234	24	258	1	40
1968	Harold L. Threatt	11	11	9	267	30	297	2	40
1969	Harold L. Threatt	6	12	7	259	34	293	3	
1970	Harold L. Threatt	7	3	3	255	38	300	1	30
1971	Harold L. Threatt	9	11	13	260	48	308		35
1972	Dr. Vann Murrell (Interim)	1	4	16	246	45	291	1	40

REVIVALS IN PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
1949 - 1972

"Wilt Thou not revive us again: That Thy people may rejoice i Thee?" Psalm 85:6.

1. March 19, 1950 - Rev. Lawrence Roberts, pastor, delivered the messages. There was an addition of 20 to the church membership roll.

2. September 10-17, 1950 - Rev. E. T. Baker delivered the messages. Four joined the church by baptism. Rev. Lawrence Roberts was the pastor.

3. March 25, 1951 - Rev. Lawrence Roberts, pastor, delivered the messages. Nine joined the church.

4. August 25, 1952 - Rev. T. W. Bray delivered the messages. Eight joined the church, 5 by letter, 3 by baptism. Rev. Lawrence Roberts was the pastor.

5. April 12, 1953 - Rev. W. D. Robertson (now a Southern Baptist Missionary in Vietnam) delivered the messages. Three joined the church, 1 by letter and 2 by baptism. Rev. Lawrence Roberts was the pastor.

6. Spring, 1956 - Rev. Franklin Monroe delivered the messages. Rev. Joe T. Whitworth was the pastor.

7. March 24, 1958 - Rev. Coy Dellinger delivered the messages. Rev. William Shytle was interim pastor.

8. March 16 - 22, 1959 - Rev. Hoyle Alexander delivered the messages. Rev. Richard N. Spencer was the pastor.

9. September 6, 1959 - Rev. James Holder delivered the messages. Rev. Richard N. Spencer was the pastor.

10. March 20 - 26, 1960 - Rev. W. V. Tarlton delivered the messages. Two joined the church by baptism. Rev. Richard N Spencer was the pastor.

11. August 28 - September 4, 1960 - Rev. Richard N. Spencer, pas-tor, delivered the messages. Four joined the church, 2 by letter and 2 by baptism.

12. March 26 - April 1, 1961 - Rev. Norman Brown delivered the mes-ages. Twelve joined the church, 1 by letter and 11 by baptism. Rev. Richard N. Spencer was the pastor.

3. September 24-30, 1961 - Rev. James Stamey delivered the mes-ages. Rev. Richard N. Spencer was the pastor.

4. April 15 - 22, 1962 - Rev. Don Callahan delivered the messages. lev. Richard N. Spencer was the pastor.

5. May 19 - 25, 1963 - Dr. Donald Moore delivered the messages. e had just left Putnam Church as Interim Pastor. Rev. George W. owd was the pastor.

5. April 12 - 19, 1964 - Rev. B. L. Kincaid delivered the messages n the 12th through the 17th. Rev. C. O. Greene delivered the mes-ges on the 18th and 19th. Seven joined the church, 6 by baptism and by letter. Rev. George W. Dowd was pastor.

. October 11 - 18, 1962 - Rev. Fred Crisp delivered the messages. ne came by baptism. Rev. George W. Dowd was the pastor.

. May 1 - 8, 1966 - Rev. Harold L. Threatt, pastor, delivered the essages.

. October 8 - 15, 1967 - Rev. Russell Fitts delivered the messages. . Bob Lamb was Music Director. Rev. Harold L. Threatt was the stor.

. Wednesday, April 17 - Sunday, April 21, 1968 - A youth led re-al. Rev. Harold L. Threatt was the pastor.

. August 18 - 25, 1968 - Rev. Charles Rayburn delivered the mes-es. On Friday night, August 16, before the revival began the church nducted, for the first time, an all night prayer vigil. The prayer vigil an Friday at 6:00 P.M. and continued through Saturday until 6:00 M. On Tuesday through Thursday of the revival, morning services re held in the church in addition to the services held at night. Rev. rold L. Threatt was the pastor.

22. April 6 - 13, 1969 - "A Crusade of the Americas" revival was held with the pastor, Rev. Harold L. Threatt, delivering the messages. Mr. Ronnie Winegard served as Minister of Music and Mitchell Humphries played the piano. Ronnie and Mitchell belonged to the same Baptist Church in Greenville, South Carolina.

23. October 15 - 19, 1969 - A Layman led revival was held in the church. Rev. Harold L. Threatt was the pastor.

24. November 9 - 15, 1970 - Rev. Richard N. Spencer delivered the messages. Rev. Harold L. Threatt was the pastor.

25. September of 1972 - Rev. Mike Minnix delivered the messages. There were three additions to the church, two by letter and one by baptism. Dr. Vann Murrell was interim pastor.

The two weeks tent revival meeting that began June 5, 1949, on the Roland Gantt property south of the church was not listed in the above since it was held before the church was organized. The details of that revival are found in Chapter 1.

Revivals were held as follows on which no records could be found except those listed in the Kings Mountain Baptist Associational minutes:

In 1954 - two revivals
In 1955 - two revivals
In 1957 - two revivals
In 1965 - one revival

In 1969 a youth led revival was held but the exact date of this could not be found.

A total of 34 revivals have been held in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church over the past 23 years.

MRS.

MARY

HARDIN

McINTYRE

At the age of 84 Mrs. McIntyre s the oldest active woman in Put- nam Memorial Church. She was born April 5, 1889. Her parents were Joshua Agustus and Heathern Hamrick Hardin.

At the age of 12, she joined Sul- pher Springs United Methodist Church. On February 16, 1910, she married Broady Veronia McIn- tyre. Of this union 10 children were born all of whom still survive. Mr. McIntyre passed away March 15, 1964. Mrs. McIntyre has 17 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

During a revival meeting in March of 1951, Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre nd their son Gus, joined Putnam Memorial Baptist Church. Mrs. McIntyre and Gus were baptized at Calvary Baptist Church on May 1951, since there was no Baptistry at Putnam Memorial at that time.

Mrs. McIntyre is an active member of the Adult Ladies Sunday School Class in the church.

MR. and MRS.

FENNEL PATTERSON

At the age of 66, Mr. Fennel Patterson is the oldest male member of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church. He was born April 7, 1907, in Cleveland County. His parents were John and Fannie Wilson Patterson. On Sept. 12, 1925, he married Miss Mattie Helen Blanton. Of this union, five children were born; four of whom still survive: Mrs. Lucille Heffner, Roscoe, Mrs. Faye Hudson and Ben. He has twelve grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

Mr. Patterson joined Putnam Memorial Church on April 30, 1950. His entire family lives in Cleveland County and are members of Putnam Memorial also. Mrs. Patterson, Roscoe and Faye are charter members of the church.

Mr. Patterson has ten years of Sunday School pins for perfect attendance. He is a member of the Adult Men's Sunday School Class. Mrs. Patterson is a member of the Adult Ladies Sunday School Class.

Following is a chart showing the total gifts received into the church and the church's expenditures.

CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Year	Total Gifts Recorded	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Maintenance Church Property Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment *	Literature Song Books, etc.	Local Mission and Benevolences	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenditures Excluding Pastor's Salary	Grand Total
1949	$ 435.00									45.00	45.00	
1950	4,496.69	780.00		8.61	708.90	139.31		100.00	1,000.00	40.00	1,996.82	2,777.42
1951	3,001.05	1,325.00		12.46	670.25	151.48		25.00		128.16	987.35	2,312.35
1952	6,705.00	1,560.00										
1953	4,766.87	2,080.00		219.19	674.50	323.20	59.10	65.00	630.00	451.56	2,422.55	4,502.55
1954	5,074.60	2,360.00		101.11		270.46	51.00	130.00	730.00	189.58	1,997.15	4,357.15
1955	5,695.27	1,775.00	15.00	385.71	34.75	335.39	82.14	250.00	1,926.25	24.93	3,054.17	4,829.17
1956	7,891.00	2,014.00	174.00	208.00		445.00		150.00		109.00	1,086.00	3,100.00
1957	7,403.00	3,280.00	219.00	130.00	1,395.00	543.00	240.00	130.00		391.00	3,588.00	6,868.00
1958	8,426.00	2,910.00	410.00	144.00	16,010.00	603.00		85.00	1,622.00	1,623.00	20,497.00	23,407.00
1959	8,897.00	2,650.00	480.00							4,507.00		8,501.00
1960	9,967.00	3,328.00	600.00							5,000.00		9,128.00
1961	11,484.00	3,900.00	688.00							5,994.00		10,582.00
1962	10,632.00	4,074.00	660.00				832.00			4,368.00		9,925.00
1963	11,209.00	3,140.00	660.00							6,372.00		10,172.00
1964	10,005.00	4,160.00	660.00							5,719.00		10,539.00
1965	9,404.00	2,785.00	660.00							4,038.00		7,483.00
1966	16,848.00	3,075.00	660.00							4,371.00		8,106.00
1967	14,317.00	4,140.00	760.00							4,647.00		9,547.00
1968	19,979.00	4,475.00	770.00							5,017.00		10,262.00
1969	19,223.00	4,862.00	775.00							4,846.00		10,483.00
1970	20,107.00	6,120.00			700.00					10,815.00		17,635.00
1971	22,157.00	6,840.00			6,642.00					8,030.00		21,512.00
1972	23,850.00	6,082.00			8,556.00					476.74		19,406.00

Donations of Time, Money and Possessions to further the Lord's Work through Putnam Memorial Church

1. November 7, 1949 - Cotton pickers:

A cotton patch, belonging to Mr. Yates Kendricks and white unto harvest, was on the lot that the church had bought from Mr. Roland Gantt to build a temporary church building upon. On Nov. 7, 1949, the following people picked the cotton and donated the money they were paid for picking it to the lot fund:

(1)	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.	(8)	Miss Ella Lipscomb
(2)	Mrs. J. R. Webber	(9)	Rev. Lewis Ludlum
(3)	Mrs. V. B. Crawford	(10)	Jimmy Webber
(4)	Mrs. Howard Strickland	(11)	James Strickland
(5)	Mrs. Colon Hamrick	(12)	Marvin Strickland
(6)	Mr. Gene Martin	(13)	Roscoe Patterson
(7)	Mrs. Gene Martin	(14)	Donald Hamrick

(15) Mike Passmore

2. January 28, 1951 - The church voted to buy a communion set costing $48.00 with donations from the following people:

(1) Mrs. J. C. Bowling
(2) Mrs. Mildred Smart
(3) Paul Webb
(4) Max Francis
(5) Mrs. Lawrence Weathers
(6) Worth J. Branton

3. Spring of 1952 - Mr. Claude Jones, Sr. built a baptistry and donated it to the church.

4. Spring of 1952 - Mrs. Grady Humphries drew the baptismal scene and donated it to the church.

5. June 29, 1952 - At about the time Putnam Memorial Church held its first services in the north end of the educational building, Elizabeth Church donated the present pulpit chairs and a lectern to the church. This pulpit furniture had originally been owned by the First Baptist Church in Shelby.

Sept. 1957 - Elizabeth School donated 37 small plates and the izabeth Home Demonstration Club donated 13 cups and 18 large ates for the kitchen in Putnam Memorial Church.

April 3, 1960 - Mr. and Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. donated a lot (100 200 feet) to the church for a parsonage to be built upon.

April 5, 1964 - Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. donated a piano the church.

May 18, 1969 - Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen of Charlotte, N. C. nated an organ to the church.

. Offering plates - Putnam Memorial's first offering plates were ıde by the Junior and Intermediate boys in Vacation Bible School June of 1950. They were square wooden plates with velvet covering e bottoms.

Mr. Claude Jones, Jr. made the second ones. They were round oden ones with velvet in the bottoms also.

The third ones were donated to the church by the W.M.U. They re round aluminum ones with velvet in the bottoms.

Two of the present ones, also aluminum with velvet in the bottoms, re donated to the church by the Greene family in memory of Mr. ınk A. Greene.

The Devine family bought two more aluminum ones with velvet ttoms to match the above two and donated them to the church in mory of Mr. Max Devine.

On Nov. 19, 1972, the Building Fund Promotion Committee re- mmended to the church that to help defray the expense of the new ctuary that if anyone wanted to buy light fixtures, windows, pews make a donation of $25.00 or more on the carpet, their names ıld be put on plaques and placed in the vestibule of the new Sanc- ry. The following is a list of those donations:

Windows ($75.00 each)

1. Mrs. Pearl B. Cline
2. Mrs. Joe Bolin
3. Mr. & Mrs. Gus McIntyre, Deborah & Terry
4. Mr. & Mrs. Fennel Patterson
5. Jones Bible Class
6. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Braswell
7. In memory of Claude Jones, Sr. by children's family
8. Jack Hughes' family in memory of Jack, Jerry and Butch Hughes
9. Mr. & Mrs. Jack J. Lane
10. Tracy Johnson
11. Allyson Johnson

Carpet ($25.00 donations to go on total cost of carpet)

1. Mrs. Pearl B. Cline
2. Mr. & Mrs. Fennel Patterson
3. Mr. Edgar Passmore
4. Mrs. Edgar Passmore
5. Mr. & Mrs. A. D. Holland
6. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Braswell
7. Mr. John Deaton
8. Mrs. John Deaton
9 Keith Lane
10. Mr. & Mrs. Clevus Mull
11. Deborah McIntyre
12. Terry McIntyre

Light Fixtures ($150.00 each)

1. Mr. & Mrs. Buren Peeler - 2 lights
2. Nancy Cline - 1 light

Pews ($200.00)

1. Mr. & Mrs. Maynard Ledford - 1 pew
2. Mr. & Mrs. Colon E. Hamrick - 5 pews
3. Mr. & Mrs. Jack J. Lane - 2 pews
4. Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Webber - 1 pew
5. Mr. & Mrs. Odell Humphries - 1 pew
6. Mr. & Mrs. Henry Braswell - 1 pew
7. Mr. & Mrs. Delmar Anthony - 1 pew
8. Mr. & Mrs. Keith Anthony - 1 pew
9. Mrs. Mary H. McIntyre - 1 pew
10. Mr. & Mrs. D. P. Smith, Jr. - 1 pew
11. B. V. McIntyre's children in memory of Mr. B. V. McIntyre - 1 pew
12. Don Melton - 1 pew
13. Mr. & Mrs. Gary Johnson - 1 pew
14. Mr. & Mrs. Gene Webber - 1 pew
15. Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Cline in memory of Leola B. Cline - 1 pew
16. Mr. & Mrs. Gus McIntyre - 1 pew

12. The clock in the new Sanctuary was donated by Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Webber.

MISSIONS

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Iudea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8

The first pastor of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church, Rev. Lawrence Roberts, was very mission minded and led the members of the church to make contributions for that cause very early in it's history.

Through the years each pastor, who has served the church, has had a deep influence on the members to continue to support missions through their prayers and their offerings.

Following is a chart showing these gifts.

GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, ETC.

Year	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries	Children's Homes	Hospitals	Homes for Aged, Relief and Annuity, Etc.	Total Gifts For Missions	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
1949	$ 12.25									12.25	57.25
1950	73.34	26.00	11.30	16.10	13.10		43.00	39.00	45.00	266.84	3,044.26
1951	127.60	52.00	13.00	9.45	32.10	41.00	76.00	35.10	60.00	446.25	2,758.60
1952	181.00	78.00	46.00	16.00	67.00	26.00	93.00	39.00	91.00	636.00	8,901.00
1953	220.50	104.40	35.98	31.35	58.70	52.00	123.15	20.00	162.40	808.48	5,310.03
1954	269.43	75.00	13.88	27.85	49.75	20.00	118.25	25.95	85.80	685.91	5,043.06

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.50	100.00		90.40	8.96	51.80	482.61	5,311.78
1956	147.00	11.00	7.00	2.00	13.00	16.00	121.00	12.00	4.00	333.00	3,433.00
1957	231.00	126.00	18.00	76.00	29.00		91.00	15.00	4.00	590.00	7,458.00
1958	171.00	156.00	10.00	88.00	61.00		126.00		2.00	614.00	24,021.00
1959	153.00	102.00	6.00	64.00	20.00	10.00	94.00	26.00	7.00	482.00	7,637.00
1960	201.00	72.00	1.00	66.00	29.00		88.00			457.00	9,128.00
1961	260.00	97.00		78.00	61.00		114.00		27.00	637.00	10,582.00
1962	260.00	78.00	12.00	16.00	50.00		104.00	14.00	14.00	548.00	9,925.00
1963	240.00	101.00		143.00	31.00	10.00	78.00	10.00		613.00	10,172.00
1964	260.00	78.00	7.00	78.00			240.00			663.00	10,539.00
1965	299.00	78.00		93.00	65.00		169.00		33.00	737.00	7,483.00
1966	299.00	78.00	7.00	78.00	58.00		173.00	31.00		724.00	8,106.00
1967	299.00	78.00	10.00	119.00	279.00		156.00	18.00	22.00	981.00	9,547.00
1968	99.04	78.00	7.68	92.51	205.64		185.40			868.27	10,262.00
1969	351.00	177.00		170.00	253.00		208.00			1,159.00	10,483.00
1970	371.00	130.00	23.00	30.00	138.00		218.00	8.00		918.00	17,635.00
1971	351.00	130.00	31.00	19.00	141.00		208.00			880.00	21,512.00
1972	520.00	156.00	2.25		429.00		208.00			1,316.00	19,406.00

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

1. Sunday School

"And all thy children shall be taught of the Lord; and great shall be the peace of thy children." Isaiah 54:13.

The Bible is the textbook of the Sunday School and a basic task of the Sunday School is reaching persons for Bible Study.

Probably more people are reached for the Lord through the Sunday School Program of a church than through any other organization.

Putnam Memorial Sunday School was organized before Putnam Memorial Baptist Church was and the organization came about in this way:

On June 5-19, 1949 the Mission Planning Committee of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association sponsored a two weeks tent revival meeting on the Roland Gantt property south of the present church building.

Attendance was good and the people showed an interest in starting a Sunday School and a Vacation Bible School.

On July 7, 1949 a committee composed of Rev. Lewis Ludlum, Rev. T. W. Fogleman, Mr. Leonard McSwain, Mr. Claude Jones, Sr., Mrs. Pearl B. Cline, Mrs. Leola B. Cline, Mrs. V. B. Crawford and Mrs. J. R. Webber met to decide on having a Sunday School.

On July 10, 1949 a Sunday School was organized in the tent with the 33 people present becoming the first members. It must have been at this time that Leonard McSwain was elected superintendant and Mrs. J. R. Webber secretary and treasurer.

On July 12, 1949 a nominating committee composed of J. R. Webber, Leonard McSwain, Claude Jones, Sr., Howard Strickland and Milton Hawkins was appointed to elect the rest of the Sunday School officers and teachers. A list of these officers and teachers could not be found.

On September 4, 1949 this Sunday School was named Putnam Memorial after Rev. D. F. Putnam, a great worker for the Lord in the Kings Mountain Baptist Association.

By the end of the associational year (September 30, 1949) there as an enrollment of 75 in Sunday School with an average attendance f 54.

Down through the years the Sunday School has grown from 33 embers when organized on July 10, 1949 to an enrollment of 208 1972.

The aim of our present Sunday School is to enroll each person of e Baptist preference in our church community and to get them to tend regularly and participate in Bible Study.

We also want to have a ministry to our shut-ins, men in the armed rces and college students.

We have not reached our goal as yet but we are striving onward in e name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Vacation Bible School

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he l not depart from it." Proverbs 2:15.

Vacation Bible School provides one of the most valuable oppor- ities in the church for winning children and young people to the rd.

Vacation Bible School provides a well rounded program of Bible dy, stewardship, and missions emphasis . Baptist denominational ining and creative activity.

The First Putnam Memorial Vacation Bible School was held in the it before the church was organized.

Following a two weeks tent revival meeting on June 22, 1949 a eting was held and complete plans for a Vacation Bible School were de.

The Vacation Bible School followed immediately with an enrollment of 60 pupils and an average attendance of 50. Miss Essie Mathesy and Rev. Lewis Ludlum were in charge. Mrs. Howard Strickland was the only woman in the community who was free to work in the V.B.S. Mrs. J. R. Webber made the lemonade every day and carried it to the tent for the children's refreshment.

The first Bible School held in the church was in June of 1950. There was an enrollment of 67 and an average attendance of 56.

Vacation Bible School has been held in Putnam Memorial Church every year with the only exception being in 1972 when no V. B. S. was held in the church.

Year	Sunday School Superintendents	Cradleroll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People Single, Married, and Away	Adults	Extension Department	Officers not Counted Elsewhere	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollm	Average V.B.S. Attendance
1949	Leonard McSwain	0	4	5	5	10	7	14	30	0	0	75	54	60	50
1950	Leonard McSwain	0	0	14	0	18	0	12	32	3	3	79	40	67	56
1951	Howard Strickland	0	4	10	5	12	5	12	28	0	3	79	48	52	45
1952	Howard Strickland	0	0	24	12	10	11	10	39	0	3	109		47	
1953	Howard Strickland	3	5	14	10	18	8	23	27	0	3	111	68	62	52
1954	Howard Strickland	4	5	15	13	26	20	20	39	4	3	149	77	66	54
1955	Colon Hamrick	3	5	6	8	17	18	5	51	8	3	124	68	67	55
1956	Colon Hamrick	3	7	10	5	13	10	6	44	5	5	108	69	80	70
1957	Colon Hamrick	0	14	14	10	21	16	29	42	0	5	151	81	68	60
1958	Colon Hamrick	1	12	11	8	22	8	32	51	0	3	148	102	90	74
1959	Colon Hamrick	9	7	6	13	21	15	37	59	3	4	174	104	142	
1960	Colon Hamrick	0	15	14	13	16	23	33	68	4	4	190	100	104	
1961	Colon Hamrick	0	14	14	11	16	25	31	64	0	4	179	106	75	64
1962	Colon Hamrick	0	19	16	11	20	23	52	57	7	3	220	110	89	84
1963	Colon Hamrick	4	8	15	19	18	13	34	67	3	3	184	113	85	83
1964	Colon Hamrick	3	12	15	19	15	16	34	67	0	4	185	104	89	81
1965	Colon Hamrick	6	15	13	19	19	24	26	63	6	4	195	95	86	83
1966	Colon Hamrick	0	17	13	10	26	11	36	58	7	3	181	95	123	
1967	Colon Hamrick	0	25	10	17	29	12	34	56	5	3	191	110	125	
1968	Colon Hamrick	0	24	10	13	31	25	32	48	4	3	190	120	103	
1969	Colon Hamrick	2	15	9	13	18	27	29	99	0	3	175	100	106	
1970	Colon Hamrick		6	17	11	16	21	42	57	0	4	179	117	81	
		Preschoolers		Children		Youth		Adults							
1971	Colon Hamrick	37		49	39	45		58		0	6		112	109	
1972	Colon Hamrick	47		42		30		85		0	4		108	0	

THE MEMBERSHIP OF

PUTNAM MEMORIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Mr. Colon Hamrick
Sunday School Director

Mr. Thomas Earls.
Associate Sunday School Director

- Mr. Maynard Ledford
Outreach Director

- Mr. A. D. Holland
Extension Activities Director

Sunday School General Secretaries	Mrs. Colon Hamrick Miss Debby McIntyre Miss Wanda Webber Mrs. Janie Gordon
Adult Sunday School Director	- Mrs. Gus McIntyre
Pianist	- Mrs. David Mellon
Chorister	- Mr. Edgar Passmore
Assistant Chorister	- Mrs. Jack Lane

The Adult Ladies Sunday School Class

. Mrs. Fred Lynn – teacher
. Mrs. Fennel Patterson
. Mrs. B. V. McIntyre
4. Mrs. Thelma Watterson
5. Mrs. Fairy Hamrick
6. Mrs. Max Devine
7. Mrs. Harry Hudson

Young Adult Men's Sunday School Class

. Mr. Henry Braswell - teacher
. Mr. Keith Anthony - teacher
. Mr. Keith Lane
. Mr. Maynard Ledford
. Mr. Calvin Proctor
. Mr. David Carroll
7. Mr. Jack Rich
8. Mr. D. P. Smith, Jr.
9. Mr. Darrel Honeycutt
10. Mr. Paul Downs
11. Mr. Clevous F. Mull
12. Mr. Jerry Lankford

The Adult Men's Sunday School Class

Mr. Edgar Passmore - teacher
Mr. Fennel Patterson
Mr. Max Reynolds
Mr. Jerry Smith - associate teacher
5. Mr. Larry Patterson
6. Mr. Stowe Mellon
7. Mr. Bill Bridges

The Jones Bible Class

. Mr. Gus McIntyre - teacher
. Mr. A. D. Holland
. Mr. J. R. Webber
. Mr. Buren Peeler
. Mr. Wayne Bryson
. Mr. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
7. Mr. T. D. Anthony
8. Mr. Claude Jones, Jr.
9. Mr. Jack Lane
10. Mr. Bill Shephard
11. Mr. John Deaton
12. Mr. Alfred Nanney

Home bound Adults

1. Mrs. Carl Adams
2. Mrs. Ben Johnson
3. Mrs. Jake Street
4. Miss Shirley Hudson

The Golden Circle Sunday School Class

1. Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr., teacher
2. Mrs. Deanna Ledford
3. Mrs. Valeria Carroll
4. Mrs. Betty Heffner
5. Mrs. Mary Hamrick
6. Mrs. Patricia Honeycutt
7. Mrs. Rita Lankford
8. Mrs. Irene Smith
9. Mrs. Martha Reynolds
10. Mrs. Brenda Mellon
11. Mrs. Valeria Webber
12. Mrs. Betty Mull

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class

1. Mrs. Betty Patterson McIntyre - teacher
2. Mrs. Jermine Patterson
3. Mrs. Sara Smith
4. Mrs. Mildred Ledbetter
5. Mrs. Barbara Parker
6. Mrs. Peggy Strickland
7. Mrs. Faye Hudson
8. Mrs. Rachel Webber
9. Mrs. Kaye Patterson
10. Mrs. Rosa Lee Whitaker

The Ruth Sunday School Class

1. Mrs. A. D. Holland - teacher
2. Mrs. Belle Biggerstaff
3. Mrs. Florence Shephard
4. Mrs. Wayne Bryson
5. Mrs. Henry Braswell
6. Mrs. J. R. Webber
7. Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
8. Mrs. Odell Humphries
9. Mrs. Joe Bolin
10. Mrs. Buren Peeler
11. Mrs. Edgar Passmore
12. Mrs. John Deaton
13. Mrs. Alfred Nanney
14. Mrs. Delmar Anthony
15. Mrs. Jack Lane
16. Mrs. Robert Capps

Youth Department

Director - Mrs. Maynard Ledford

Pianist - Miss Jenene Braswell

Song Leader - Miss Mary Peeler

Youth A Girls

Teacher - Miss Jenene Braswell

1. Kathy Patterson
2. Felicia Tatham
3. Sandy Ledbetter
4. Beverly Ledbetter
5. Teresa Bridges
6. Vicky Parker
7. Andrea Davis
8. Sylvia Cummings

Youth A Boys

Teacher - Mr. Tommy Earls

1. David Webber
2. Scott Smith
3. Jimmy Jones
4. Eddie Holland
5. Dwayne Parker

Youth B

Teacher - Mrs. L. L. Strickland

1. Tim Webber
2. Lynn Webber
3. Mary Peeler
4. Leon Smith
5. Brian Creswell
6. Monty Britt
7. Hal Patterson
8. Cindy Creswell
9. Ken Allen
10. Jerry Jones
11. Terry McIntyre
12. Gary Patterson
13. Connie Patterson

Assistant Teacher - Mrs. Maynard Ledford
Mr. Claude Jones, Jr.

Children's Department

Children's Sunday School Director - Mrs. J. R. Webber

1. Boys Class 9-11 years of age
    1. Mr. Roscoe Patterson - teacher
    2. Mr. D. P. Smith - teacher
    3. Michael Ledford
    4. Jeffrey Patterson
    5. Todd Patterson
    6. Jerry Holland
    7. Dennis Bridges
    8. Steven Allen

2. Girls Class 9-11 years of age
    1. Mrs. Roy Howard - teacher
    2. Lou Ann Webber
    3. Bonnie Howard
    4. Terrace Nanney
    5. Kim Carroll
    6. Sherry Allen
    7. Nancy Cline
    8. Joyce Hudson

3. Boys and Girls 6-8 years of age
    1. Mrs. Shirley Allen - teacher
    2. Mrs. Joan Rambeau - teacher
    3. Jerry Allen
    4. Renee Carroll
    5. Sandy Hamrick
    6. Allyson Johnson
    7. Byron Mellon
    8. Keith Proctor
    9. Jackie Rich
    10. Paul Smith
    11. Michelle Rambeau

4. Associate teachers
    1. Mrs. J. R. Webber
    2. Mr. Keith Lane

Pre-School Department

Preschool Director — Mrs. Charles Holland

Nursery No. 1

Teachers - Mrs. Rozalind Webber and Mrs. Keith Anthony

Members - 1. Carla Hamrick
2. Cindy Heffner

Nursery No. 2

Teachers - Mrs. Manning Honeycutt and Mrs. Jack Rich

Members - 1. Rodney Earl Honeycutt
2. Richie Earls
3. Jena Anthony
4. Chris Webber
5. Angela Patterson
6. Raine Lankford

Nursery No. 3

Teacher - Mrs. Thomas Earls

Members - 1. Teresa Webber
2. Brent Mellon
3. Becky Carpenter
4. Buddy Howard
5. Greg Anthony
6. Billy Ray Heffner
7. Jennifer Reynolds

Beginners

Teachers - Mrs. Charles Holland and Miss Wanda Patterson

Members - 1. Thomas Honeycutt
2. Crissie Earls
3. Sharon Rich
4. Amy Webber
5. Jeffrey Reynolds
6. Tina Patterson
7. Tammy Allen
8. Rebecca Allen
9. Mark Whitaker
10. Johnny Whitaker
11. Tracy Johnson
12. Angela Heffner

Associate Teacher - Mrs. Joe Bolin

TRAINING UNION

Year	Directors	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
1949	Mrs. J. R. Webber	0	5	0	12	0	8	17	5	47	38
1950	Howard Strickland	0	0	6	6	5	0	10	4	31	20
1951	Hoyt Hamrick	0	0	9	0	7	0	21	4	41	25
1952	Hoyt Hamrick	0	8	0	4	9	0	11	3	34	24
1953	Hoyt Hamrick	0	0	6	11	9	0	13	3	42	24
1954	Garland Clary	0	0	0	12	12	0	21	0	45	22
1955	Claude Jones, Jr.	0	8	0	9	7	8	34	2	68	42
1956	Claude Jones, Jr.	0	15	0	12	12	15	25	3	82	42
1957	Claude Jones, Jr.	6	4	4	8	9	15	13	3	62	47
1958	Claude Jones, Jr.	5	3	3	8	7	9	28	3	66	45
1959	Claude Jones, Jr.	0	9	6	7	12	22	17	2	75	53
1960	Claude Jones, Jr.	5	6	3	10	15	15	28	2	84	54
1961	Claude Jones, Jr.	2	3	2	9	16	18	20	2	72	50
1962	Claude Jones, Jr.	3	2	4	8	10	23	9	3	62	31
1963	Claude Jones, Jr.	2	3	6	10	10	10	18	2	61	28
1964	Claude Jones, Jr.	0	2	3	3	9	0	15	1	33	14
1965	Claude Jones, Jr.										

1966	Claude Jones, Jr.	1	3	3	5	4	13	13	3	63	41
1967	Maynard Ledford	2	2	3	6	3	8	16	2	42	33
1968	Maynard Ledford	6	5	16	16	10	16	15	2	76	32
1969	Gus McIntyre	3	5	3	11	12	5	17	2	58	27
1970	Gus McIntyre	4	5	4	13	0	12	10	4	59	18

		Preschoolers	Children	Youth				Adults			
1971	Roscoe Patterson	6	16	8				14	7	51	19
1972	Edgar Passmore	0	16	6				12	4	38	14

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15.

Training Union was organized in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church on December 18, 1949. Mrs. J. R. Webber was elected the first Training Union Director in the church.

On Christmas day, December 25, 1949, the church elected the following Training Union Officers:

President	-	Claude Jones, Sr.
Pianist	-	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
Choir Leader	-	Miss Mary Catherine Jones
Young People Counselor	-	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
Junior Leader	-	Mr. Claude Jones, Jr.
Story Hour	-	Mrs. Howard Strickland
Assistant Director	-	Mr. Leonard McSwain
Secretary and Treasurer	-	Miss Mary Catherine Jones

In 1950 there was an enrollment of 47 in Training Union wit a average attendance of 38. Howard Strickland was Training Unio rector.

In 1972 there was an enrollment of 38 with an average attend of 14. Edgar Passmore was the Director, having been elected on Au 13, 1972.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." Colossians 3: 16.

Music has played an important part in the worship services and in the history of Putnam Memorial Baptist Church since it was organized in 1949.

Music Directors

1949 - Miss Mary Catherine Jones
1950 - Edgar Passmore
1951 - Edgar Passmore
1952 - Edgar Passmore
1953 - Edgar Passmore
1954 - Edgar Passmore
1955 - Edgar Passmore
1956 - Jack Lane
1957 - Edgar Passmore
1958 - Edgar Passmore
1959 - Edgar Passmore
1960 - November 13 - The church voted to hire Miss Tamera Cornwell on a 30 day trial basis to see if the financial part could be met. She did not remain after the 30 day period was up. Edgar Passmore continued to lead singing.
1961 - Edgar Passmore
1962 - Edgar Passmore
1963 - Edgar Passmore
1964 - Jack Lane
1965 - Edgar Passmore
1966 - July - The church elected Mrs. Harold Threatt to assist with Junior Choir. Edgar Passmore was Adult Choir leader.
1967 - Edgar Passmore
1968 - Jack Lane
1969 - Rev. Harold Threatt

1970 - April 19 - The church voted to call Mrs. Stephen Morrisett of Boiling Springs as part-time Minister of Music on a six months trial basis.

On July 12, the church voted to buy sheet music for the choir.

On November 8, Mrs. Stephen Morrisett resigned her position as Minister of Music.

Edgar Passmore again became choir director.

1971 - May 2 - Dr. Phil Perrin came and led the music in Sunday morning and Sunday evening worship services.

May 9 - The church voted to call Dr. Perrin, Music Professor at Gardner Webb College, as Minister of Music in Putnam Memorial Church. He accepted and assumed his duties on May 23 at a salary of $50.00 weekly. He could only stay six months, this being a rule of the college for its professors. When the six months were up, Dr. Perrin resigned.

March - Edgar Passmore again assumed the position of choir director in the church.

1972 - September 11 - The church elected Edgar Passmore to lead the congregational singing with Mrs Jack Lane, Mrs. David Mellon and Mrs. D. P. Smith leading the choir.

2. Pianist and Organist

1949 - Miss Carolyn McSwain
1950 - Mrs. John Royster
1951 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1952 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1953 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1954 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1955 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1956 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
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1958 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1959 - Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.
1960 - Miss Irene Hawkins, Miss Phyllis Hamrick
1961 - Miss Irene Hawkins, Miss Phyllis Hamrick
1962 - Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr., Miss Phyllis Hamrick
1963 - Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr., Miss Phyllis Hamrick
1964 - Mrs. Gary Johnson
1965 - Mrs. David Mellon
1966 - Mrs. David Perry Smith
1967 - Mrs. Gary Johnson
1968 - Mrs. Gary Johnson
1969 - Mrs. Gary Johnson
1970 - Mrs. David Mellon, Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr.
1971 - Mrs. David Mellon, Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr.
1972 - Mrs. David Mellon, Mrs. David Perry Smith, Jr.

I. Pianos and Organs

(a) The first piano was purchased on July 10, 1949. This was the one used in the tent meeting.

(b) On July 13, 1952, the church voted to buy a new piano.

(c) April 3, 1964, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jones donated a piano to the church.

(d) May 18, 1969, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Allen of Charlotte, N. C. donated an organ to the church. On Feb. 11, 1973 the church voted to give this organ to Enon Baptist Church near Kings Creek, S. C. since Putnam Memorial Church had bought a new organ and a new piano for the new Sanctuary.

(e) On November 19, 1972, the church voted to buy a new organ and a new piano for the new Sanctuary at an estimated cost of between $6,000.00 and $8,000.00. The new organ and piano arrived Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1973 and were placed in the new Sanctuary. They were used for the first time in a worship service on March 4, 1973 for the "Dedication Service" for Putnam Memorial's new Sanctuary.

4. Hymnals

(a) The first hymn books were donated by New Hope Baptist Church and were the Modern Hymnals.

(b) The Broadman Hymnals were purchased by the church soon after occupying the north end of the Educational Building.

(c) On May 14, 1961, the church voted to buy ten Baptist Hymnals for the choir to use.

(d) On January 14, 1973, the church voted to buy 200 Baptist Hymnals for use in the new Sanctuary.

5. Choir Robes

On January 7, 1973, the church voted to buy 25 choir robes to match the color decor in the new Sanctuary.

On March 5, 1973 these choir robes came, one day after the dedication service had been held.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

"Labourers together with God." 1 Cor. 3:9. This is the watchword of Woman's Missionary Union. Members in the W. M. U. experience the full meaning of their watchword as they teach missions and engage church members to participate in missions at home and abroad through praying, giving, and doing.

In January of 1950 the women in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church became interested in organizing a Woman's Missionary Union. So on January 29, 1950 the church voted to buy W. M. U. literature.

In October of 1950 the W. M. U. was organized in the home of Mrs. J. R. Webber. There were 12 women present (these are listed in Chapter 2). Two of these women, Mrs. Leola B. Cline and Mrs. Pearl B. Cline, were helping to organize the Women's Missionary Union. The other ten women became the first members of Putnam Memorial W. M. U. Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr. was elected the first president.

In 1972 Mrs. J. R. Webber was the W. M. U. Director with a W. M. U. membership of 11. The W. M. S. meetings were held the second Tuesday night in each month.

SUNBEAMS

"Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord." Psalms 127:3

In 1951 there was a Sunbeam organization sponsored by the W. M. U. in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church with 9 children enrolled. Mrs. Edgar Passmore was the Sunbeam leader.

In 1952 there was a Sunbeam enrollment of 6. Mrs. Lawrence Roberts was the leader.

On September 13, 1953 Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr. was elected Sunbeam leader. There were 9 Sunbeams enrolled.

Over the years there have been many Sunbeam leaders.

In 1970 the name of Sunbeams was changed to Mission Friends.

In 1972 there were 3 Mission Friends enrolled, meeting every Wednesday night during the prayer meeting hours.

GIRL'S AUXILIARY

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come." Isaiah 60:1 was the G A watchword.

R A's and Sunbeams were organized three years before G A's were. On September 13, 1953 a G A counselor was elected by the church. However, Girl's Auxiliary wasn't organized at that time.

At the September 1954 General W. M. S. meeting, Mrs. Gus McIntyre was elected G A counselor.

The second week in October G A.s were organized with 5 members. (This meeting is found in Chapter 3). Meetings were held twice a month on Friday and the next meeting was held October 29, 1954. (Also, found in Chapter 3). This was an ungraded G A.

Over the years there have been both junior and intermediate G A's and ungraded G A's with many leaders. Meetings have been held once a week on every day of the week.

There has been one Presentation Service and three Coronation Services in which G A girls have received special recognition for their individual achievement in their forward steps work. (Details of these services are found in Chapters 4 and 6).

There were mission programs, stewardship programs, denominational emphasis, weeks of prayer for home and foreign missions, season of prayer for state missions, mission study course books, community missions, forward steps, prayer retreats and Focus Week.

There were Christmas Parties, Halloween parties, Thanksgiving parties, hobo parties, lemon parties, pajama parties, fudge parties, weiner roast, mother/daughter banquets, teas and camp.

Perhaps this poem written by a G A girl, Peggy Hudson, says it best:

G A POEM

G A is lots of fun,
There is work and play for everyone.
There are forward steps to pass,
We must be good at our task.
There is a contest until May,
To see who will be queen of our G A's.
From Home to Foreign Mission Fields,
There are missionaries that we yield
All our prayers and all our hope,
That they may win more lost folks.
We have Focus Week in May,
To show what we have learned in our G A's.
"Tell," a magazine for girls,
Tells about missions around the world.
Every G A is a lucky girl,
To be part of such a swirl.

By Peggy Hudson
January 23, 1961.

In October 1970 Girl's Auxiliary underwent quite a change. Junior A's became Girls In Action and Intermediate G A's became Acteens.

In 1972 there were 5 Girls in Action and 6 Acteens meeting every Wednesday night during the prayer meeting hour.

Year	President	W. M. S. Units	Y. W. A. Units	G.A. Units Junior & Intermediate	R. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	WMS Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	R. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	TOTAL TITHERS ALL ORGANIZATIONS
1949		1	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	10	6
1950	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.	1	0	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	10	6
1951	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts	1	0	1	1	1	3	15	0	0	6	9	30	15
1952	Mrs. Lawrence Roberts	1	0	0	1	1	3	20	0	0	11	6	37	16
1953	Mrs. Fred Lynn	1	0	0	1	1	3	20	0	0	8	9	37	19
1954	Mrs. Fred Lynn	1	0	1	1	1	4	21	0	5	9	12	47	18
1955	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.	1	0	1		1	3	21	0	10		5	36	27
1956	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	2		1	4	24	0	13		13	50	17
1957	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	2		1	4	21	0	13		17	51	20
1958	Mrs. William Shytle	1	0	2		2	5	19	0	13		13	45	27
1959	Mrs. Edgar Passmore	1	0	2		1	4	19	0	13		15	47	12
1960	Mrs. Wayne Allen	1	1	2		1	5	25	5	11		15	56	11
1961	Mrs. Fred Lynn	1	0	2		1	4	26	0	13		21	60	12
1962	Mrs. Fred Lynn	1	0	2		1	4	26	0	18		15		
1963	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	1		0	2	19	0	5		0		
1964	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	2		2	5	20	0	17		12		
1965	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	1		1	3	32	0	10		12		54

	1966	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	1	1	3	32	0	12	14	58
	1967	Mrs. Gus McIntyre	1	0	1	1	3	28	0	20	21	69
Director	1968	Mrs. Gus McIntyre	1	0	1	2	4	22	0	24	17	63
	1969	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.	1	0	2	2	5	28	0	24	16	68
	1970	Mrs. Claude Jones, Jr.	1	0	2	1	4	23	0	17	4	44

				Girls In Action & Acteens		Mission Friends			Girls In Action & Acteens	Mission Friends
	1971	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	2	1	4	13		7
	1972	Mrs. J. R. Webber	1	0	2	1	4	11		3

THE BROTHERHOOD ORGANIZATION

1. The Brotherhood

"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit." John 15:16.

The Brotherhood provides missionary education for the men, the young men and the boys of the church.

There is no record of a Brotherhood in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church until 1956 when Colon Hamrick was elected President. At that time there were 17 men enrolled and 8 R.A. boys making a total Brotherhood enrollment of 27.

In 1972 the Brotherhood met every third Sunday morning in the month to enjoy breakfast together, and to have their meeting. There was an enrollment of 13 men and 16 R.A. boys making the total Brotherhood enrollment 29 in 1972.

2. Royal Ambassadors

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ." 2 Corinthians 5:20A.

Royal Ambassadors was an organization of the Woman's Missionary Union in 1949 when Putnam Memorial Baptist Church was organized.

In 1951 there was a Royal Ambassador in the church with 6 members but the name of the leader could not be found.

In 1952 the R.A. enrollment had grown to 11. Mrs. Catherine Lewis was their leader.

On September 13, 1953, the church elected Edgar Passmore to serve as R.A. leader. There was an enrollment of 8.

In 1954 there were 9 boys enrolled in R.A.'s at Putnam Memorial Baptist Church.

The Brotherhood took over the responsibility and pleasure of sponsoring the R.A.'s throughout the churches in the Southern Baptist Convention in 1955.

However, the W.M.U. continued to sponsor the 9 R.A. boys in Putnam Memorial Baptist Church until a Brotherhood was organized in 1956. At this time Howard Clary was elected R. A. counselor.

In 1971 there were 16 R. A. boys. The R. A.'s entered the Kings Mountain Baptist Associational Basketball league and won the Good Sportsmanship Trophy.

There were 16 R. A. boys in 1972 and they won the Good Sportsmanship Trophy again.

The counselors for 1972 were Keith Anthony and Roscoe Patterson. The meetings were held every Wednesday night during the prayer meeting hour.

Year	Brotherhood President	Enrollment of Brotherhood	R A Counselors	R A Enrollment	Total Brotherhood Enrollment
1949					
1950					
1951					
1952					
1953					
1954				9	
1956	Colon Hamrick	17	Howard Clary	8	27
1957	Colon Hamrick	20	J. D. Kelly	10	30
1958	Colon Hamrick	20	J. D. Kelly	5	25
1959	Gus McIntyre	14	Howard Clary	6	20
1960	Colon Hamrick	23	Wilson Biggerstaff	22	45
1961	Edgar Passmore	18	Wilson Biggerstaff	24	42
1962	Edgar Passmore	8	John Keith Cresswell		
1963	Buren Peeler		Keith Cresswell		
1964	Buren Peeler	8	Gus McIntyre		8
1965	A. O. Pribble		Gus McIntyre Roscoe Patterson Maynard Ledford	10	10
1966	Colon Hamrick	9	Gus McIntyre Roscoe Patterson	12	21
1967	Buren Peeler	12	Gus McIntyre Roscoe Patterson	15	27
1968	Charles Roberts	10	Keith Anthony Roscoe Patterson	16	26
1969	David Carroll	12	Keith Anthony Roscoe Patterson	14	26
1970	Edgar Passmore	16	Roscoe Patterson Keith Anthony	12	28
1971	Edgar Passmore	12	Roscoe Patterson Keith Anthony	16	28
1972	Edgar Passmore	13	Roscoe Patterson Keith Anthony	16	23

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

"A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance." - Pro. 15:13A.

On April 6, 1966, the church voted to sponsor a Junior and a Senior Fellowship for the young people in Putnam Memorial Church.

On May 11, 1966, the church voted to take a special offering through the Sunday School to buy the following equipment for the Junior and Senior Fellowships and also to be used by the other youth organizations in the church:

Three balls and bats - $13.50
Shuffleboard set - $14.98
Ping pong set - $56.00

1. Senior Fellowship

On April 6, 1966, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Webber were elected to serve as Senior Fellowship sponsors.

At the first meeting, Dennis Roberts was elected president and Tamara Lane was elected secretary and treasurer.

On October 11, 1966, the Senior Fellowship met at the parsonage with everyone dressed as hobos. Prizes were awarded to Rev. and Mrs. Harold Threatt for being the best dressed, games were played and a pinto bean supper was enjoyed by the 13 members present. They planned their meetings for every second Thursday in the month.

On November 11, 1966, a Pilgrim party followed by a meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Webber. Kentucky fried chicken was enjoyed by the 5 members present.

On December 22, 1966, a Christmas party was held in the basement of the parsonage.

In January, 1967, a candy party was enjoyed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Webber.

On October 4, 1967, the church voted to finance the Senior Fellowship not to exceed $5.00 a month.

2. Junior Fellowship

Sometime between April 6 and October 1, 1966, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Johnson were elected Junior Fellowship sponsors.

On October 29, 1966, the Junior Fellowship held its first meeting with 10 present. They planned to hold their meetings every third Friday in the month.

On December 30, 1966, a New Years party was held in the basement of the parsonage with 11 members present. Hot dogs were roasted over the open fire in the fireplace and games were played. A devotional was given by Debby McIntyre.

On October 4, 1967, the church voted to finance the Junior Fellowship not to exceed $5.00 a month.

3. Combined Fellowships

Sometime after 1969, the Junior and Senior Fellowship combined. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Haynes were elected youth fellowship sponsors.

Over the years, there have been candy sales, cake sales and car washes to provide money for vacations at the beach and trips to "Six Flags."

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith have been youth fellowship sponsors for the last two years. There was a total enrollment of 19 in 1972.

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERS UNITED IN MARRIAGE IN THE CHURCH

"For this cause shall a man leave father and mother and shall leave to his wife; and they twain shall be one flesh.

"Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder." Matt. 19: 5-6

1. On June 30, 1957, Miss Juanita Lowrance and Forrest Gold Hardin were united in marriage by Rev. Joe T. Whitworth. This was the first wedding in the church and the first marriage performed by Rev. Joe T. Whitworth.

2. On December 24, 1961, Miss Docia Irene Hawkins and David Perry Smith, Jr. were united in marriage by Rev. Richard N. Spencer.

3. On June 29, 1963, Miss Betty Jane Cline and Jack Rich were united in marriage by Rev. George W. Dowd.

4. On September 20, 1963, Miss Mary Nell Adams and Jerry Hamrick were united in marriage by Rev. George W. Dowd.

5. On June 28, 1964, Miss Rita Joy Nanney and Jerry Woodie Lankford were united in marriage by Rev. George W. Dowd.

6. On December 3, 1967, Miss Nancy Ruth Strickland and Joe Reed Kendrick were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt.

7. On October 12, 1969, Miss Linda Sue Hudson and Thomas Byard Smith were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt.

8. On August 2, 1970, Miss Tamara Ann Lane and Michael David Valentine were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt.

9. On September 25, 1971, Miss Myra Davis and Carl Ray Adams were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt.

10. On April 8, 1972, Miss Pamela Jane Devine and Thomas Joseph Justice were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt.

11. On March 2, 1973, Miss Elizabeth Jane Allen and Datus Cole Gordon were united in marriage by Dr. M. Vann Murrell. This was the first wedding performed in the new sanctuary of the church.

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH MEMBERS UNITED IN MARRIAGE IN THE PASTOR'S HOMES

1. On March 17, 1951, Miss Alice Jermine Melton and Roscoe Charles Patterson were united in marriage by Rev. Lawrence Roberts in his home.

2. On June 30, 1951, Miss Betty Lou Patterson and Gus Hardin McIntyre were united in marriage by Rev. Lawrence Roberts in his home.

3. On December 24, 1960, Miss Hilda Lucille Pruett and Kenneth Edward Fortenberry were united in marriage by Rev. Richard N. Spencer in his home.

4. On December 1, 1967, Miss Betty Louise Braswell and Frederick Clevus Mull were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt in the church parsonage.

5. On December 2, 1967, Miss Judy Ann Bryson and Melvin Helms were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt in the church parsonage.

6. On December 8, 1967, Miss Wilma Louise Brown and Ronald Gene Hamrick were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt in the church parsonage.

7. On March 17, 1968, Miss Judith Leola Howard and Robert Dean Carpenter were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt in the church parsonage.

8. On December 26, 1969, Miss Connie Lynn Goforth and Stanley Vernon Whitaker were united in marriage by Rev. Harold L. Threatt in the church parsonage.

The young men who entered a branch of the Armed Forces of the United States of America from among the membership of Putnam Memorial Church.

1. Roscoe Charles Patterson entered the Army January 22, 1952 and was discharged January 21, 1954.

2. Sergeant James Harold Melton entered the Air Force in June of 1954 and will be eligible to retire in July of 1973.

3. Jerry Lee Hughes entered the Air Force August 5, 1955 and was discharged June 3, 1959.

4. Thomas Ray Strickland entered the Army Engineers on September 25, 1955 and was discharged September 19, 1958.

5. Robert Vernon Parker entered the Army January 13, 1958 and was discharged December 22, 1959.

6. Richard D. Clary entered the Army in August of 1958 and was discharged in August of 1961.

7 Clyde Quitmon Adams entered the army December 8, 1958 and was discharged January 31, 1962.

8. Michael Stanford Passmore entered the Marine Corps November 12, 1960 and was discharged in November of 1964.

9. Thomas Byrant Clary entered the Navy March 18, 1961 and was discharged June 16, 1964.

10. C. B. Clary, Jr. entered the Navy August 29, 1962 and was discharged June 1, 1966.

11. Jack Rich entered the National Guards in August of 1963 and was discharged in May of 1969.

12. Ronald J. Bolin entered the Army May 20, 1966 and was discharged May 3, 1968.

13. George Wilson Biggerstaff, Jr. entered the Army May 23, 1966 and was discharged February 3, 1972.

14. Thomas Byard Smith entered the Army August 1, 1966 and was discharged August 1, 1968.

15. Richard Darrel Honeycutt entered the Marine Corps in August of 1966 and was discharged October 22, 1968.

16. Robert Dean Carpenter entered the Marine Corps January 6, 1969 and was discharged in July of 1970.

17. Carl Wayne Clary entered the Army June 16, 1969 and was discharged January 21, 1971.

18. Charles Warren Goforth entered the Marine Corps July 18, 1969 and was discharged June 4, 1971.

19. Carl Ray Adams entered the Army September 15, 1969 and was discharged June 15, 1971.

20. Garland Lee Clary, Jr. entered the Marine Corps September 22, 1969 and was discharged August 27, 1971.

21. Robert Scism entered the National Guard in February of 1970 and his enlistment will end in February of 1976.

22. Sergeant Larry E. Simpson entered the Air Force July 20, 1970 and will be discharged in 1974.

23. Specialist 5 James Lester Bowen entered the Army January 26, 1971 and is due to be discharged in 1974.

Those of the membership who are studying in Institutions of higher education.

1. Wanda Jean Patterson
   In Training for a medical secretary at Cleveland County Technical Institute, Shelby, N. C.

2. Donna Faye Hudson
   In Dental Hygiene training at Central Piedmont Community College, Charlotte, N. C.

3. Thomas G. Earls
   Electrical Installation and Maintenance course at Cleveland County Technical Institute, Shelby, N. C.

4. Joan Rambeau
   Executive Secretarial Course at Cleveland County Technical Institute, Shelby, N. C.

IN MEMORIAM

In Job 1: 21B we read, "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

Again in Romans 6: 23 we read, "The gift of God is eternal life Through Jesus Christ our Lord."

And in Revelations 14: 13 we read, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, "Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

Friends, we come now to pay honor and respect to our loved ones who have gone home to be with the Lord.

These our friends sleepeth:

1. August 6, 1951 - Michael Eugene Tompkins
   (6 month old son of Hugh M. and Ruby Jenkins Tompkins)
2. March 16, 1952 - Mr. S. T. Putnam (deacon)
3. August 25, 1956 - Mr. George C. Raines
4. February 18, 1960 - Mr. Mozon (Hap) Heffner
5. July 4, 1960 - Mr. H. K. Roberts (deacon)
6. November 22, 1960 - Janet Susan Patterson
   (10 month old daughter of Ben H. and Patsy Hughes Patterson)
7. September 4, 1961 - Charles Mark Pruitt
   (10 month old son of Roy and Shirley Clary Pruitt)
8. May 27, 1962 - Mr. Jerry Hughes
9. August 16, 1962 - Mr. Ben Johnson
10. March 26, 1963 - Mr. Wilbert Brown
11. May 20, 1963 - Mr. Donald Hamrick
12. March 15, 1964 - Mr. Broadus V. McIntyre
    (deacon and honorary deacon)

13. October 9, 1964 - Mr. H. N. Hoyle
14. November 27, 1964 - Mr. Claude A. Jones, Sr. (deacon, honorary deacon, charter member and trustee)
15. January 30, 1966 - Mr. Jack A. Hughes
16. February 10, 1968 - Mrs. Callie Heafner Raines
17. April 4, 1968 - Mr. Jake E. Street
18. June 7, 1968 - Mr. Bobby Blanton (deacon)
19. October 1, 1968 - Mr. Frank A. Greene (church custodian)
20. October 13, 1968 - Mr. Thomas Bryant Clary
21. February 10, 1969 - Mr. Richard Calvin Shytle

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH
Teachers and Officers
Church Year 1972 - 1973

CHURCH CLERK, SECRETARY, TREASURER - Mrs. David Mellon
ASSISTANT CLERK - Mrs. J. R. Webber
ORGANIST - Mrs. D. P. Smith
PIANISTS - Mrs. David Mellon (Sunday Morning)
Mrs. Henry Braswell (Sunday Evening)
Mrs. Claude Jones (Wednesday Evening)
CUSTODIANS - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lynn

CHURCH COMMITTEES

LORD'S SUPPER COMMITTEE
Mrs. Wilson Biggerstaff, Chairman
Mrs. Fred Lynn

2nd SUNDAY SINGING COMM
Mrs. Joe Bolin
Mrs. Claude Jones
Mr. Ed Passmore
Miss Jenene Braswell

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
Mrs. Gene Webber
Miss Lynn Webber
Miss Mary Peeler

DEPOSIT COMMITTEE
Mrs. Colon Hamrick

HOSTESS COMMITTEE
Mrs. Jack Lane, Chairman
Mrs. Gene Webber
Mrs. D. P. Smith

FLOWER COMMITTEE
Mrs. Fred Lynn (Church)
Mrs. Wilson Biggerstaff (Church)
Mrs. Ed Passmore (Deaths)

GENERAL BOARD MEMBERS
Mrs. James Webber
Mrs. Claude Jones

BUILDING FUND PROMOTION C
Mr. Roscoe Patterson, Chairman
Mr. Colon Hamrick
Mrs. Z. V. Cline, Jr.
Mrs. Gene Webber
Mr. Maynard Ledford

NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Mr. Buren Peeler, Chairman
Mrs. J. R. Webber
Mr. Colon Hamrick
Mr. Ed Passmore
Mrs. Colon Hamrick
Mrs. Claude Jones

BAPTISMAL COMMITTEE
Mr. A. D. Holland
Mr. D. P. Smith
Mr. James Webber

LITERATURE COMMITTEE
Mr. Gene Webber, Chairman
S. S. Age Division Directors

CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Claude Jones, Chairman
Mrs. David Mellon
Mr. Buren Peeler
Miss Jenene Braswell

BUILDING AND GROUNDS C

Mr. Colon Hamrick, Chairman
Mr. J. R. Webber
Mr. Buren Peeler
Mr. Gus McIntyre
Mr. Maynard Ledford

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP SPONS

AUDIO - VISUAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Claude Jones, Chairman
Mr. A. D. Holland

NURSERY COORDINATOR

Mrs. Joe Bolin

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Mr. J. R. Webber, Chairman

1st and 2nd Sundays:

Mr. J. R. Webber
Mr. Gene Webber

3rd and 4th Sundays:

Mr. Maynard Ledford
Mr. Jack Rich

CHURCH USHERS

Mr. A. D. Holland, Chairman
Mr. Jerry Smith (Assistant Chairman)
Mr. Wayne Bryson (Assistant Chairman)
Mr. Keith Anthony (Assistant Chairman)
Mr. Keith Lane (Assistant Chairman)
Mr. Tommy Earls (Assistant Chairman)

CHURCH COUNCIL

(Meets Every Quarter)

Chairman of Deacons
Brotherhood Director
Minister of Music
WMU Director
Church Training Director
Sunday School Director
Church Treasurer
Publicity Chairman

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SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mr. Colon Hamrick
ASSOCIATE SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mr. Tommy Earls
OUTREACH DIRECTOR - Mr. Maynard Ledford
EXTENSION ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR - Mr. A. D. Holland
SUNDAY SCHOOL
GENERAL SECRETARIES - Mrs. Colon Hamrick
Miss Debby McIntyre
Miss Wanda Webber
Miss Janie Allen

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mrs. Gus McIntyre
Pianist - Mrs. David Mellon
Chorister - Mr. Edgar Passmore
Assistant Chorister - Mrs. Jack Lane

TEACHERS:

1. Mrs. Claude Jones
2. Mrs. Gus McIntyre
3. Mrs. A. D. Holland
4. Mr. Edgar Passmore
5. Mr. Gus McIntyre
6. Mrs. Fred Lynn
7. Mr. Keith Anthony
8. Mr. Henry Braswell

ASSOCIATE TEACHER:

9. Mr. Jerry Smith

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mrs. Maynard Ledford

1. Mr. Tommy Earls (12-14 boys)
2. Miss Jenene Braswell (12-14 girls)
3. Mrs. Bill Strickland (15-17)

ASSOCIATE TEACHERS:

1. Mrs. Maynard Ledford
2. Mr. Claude Jones

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mrs. J. R. Webber

1. Mr. Roscoe Patterson & Mr. D. P. Smith (9-11 boys)
2. Mrs. Joanne Rambeau (6-8 boys and girls)
3. Mrs. Wayne Allen (6-8 boys and girls)
4. Mrs. Roy Howard (9-11 girls)

ASSOCIATE TEACHERS:

1. Mrs. J. R. Webber
2. Mr. Keith Lane

PRE-SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTOR - Mrs. Charles Holland

1. Mrs. Keith Anthony (No. 1)
2. Mrs. Rosalind Webber (No. 1)
3. Mrs. Jack Rich (No. 2)
4. Mrs. Manning Honeycutt (No. 2)
5. Mrs. Tommy Earls (No. 3)
6. Mrs. Charles Holland (No. 4)
7. Miss Wanda Patterson (No. 4)

ASSOCIATE TEACHER:

8. Mrs. Joe Bolin

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DIRECTOR - Mr. Edgar Passmore
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - Mr. Buren Peeler
SECRETARY - Miss Mary Peeler

ADULT DIRECTORS

1. Mrs. Claude Jones
2. Mrs. J. R. Webber

CHILDREN'S DIRECTORS (6 - 11)

1. Mrs. Colon Hamrick
2. Mrs. Jack Lane

PRE – SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1. Mrs. D. P. Smith
2. Mrs. David Mellon

W. M. U.

DIRECTOR - Mrs. James Webber
BAPTIST WOMEN PROGRAM CHAIRMAN - Mrs. Fred Lynn
BAPTIST WOMEN MISSIONS
STUDY CHAIRMAN - Mrs. Claude Jones
GIRLS IN ACTION LEADER - Mrs. Wayne Allen
ACTEEN LEADER -
WORLD'S FRIENDS LEADERS - Mrs. Rosalind Webber
SECRETARY/TREASURER - Mrs. Joe Bolin

BAPTIST MEN

DIRECTOR - Mr. Edgar Passmore
SECRETARY - David Carroll
CRUSADER LEADER - Mr. Keith Anthony
PIONEER LEADER - Mr. Roscoe Patterson
ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR - Mr. Jimmy Webber
MISSION ACTION LEADER - Mr. A. D. Holland
MISSION STUDY LEADER -

PUTNAM MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

March 1973